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The New Indian Express  
Wishes its readers a  
**Happy Ugadi**  
Our offices and press will remain closed today and there will be no issue of the paper on Wednesday



## COMBINED M-CAP OF BSE-LISTED COMPANIES HITS ₹400 LAKH CRORE

The market capitalisation of BSE-listed firms reached all-time closing high of ₹400.86 lakh crore on Monday amid a record rally in equities

## RECORDS 300% GROWTH IN A DECADE

The combined market cap of BSE-listed companies zoomed 300% since March 2014 when it first crossed the ₹100 crore milestone. The ₹200 lakh crore mark was first touched in February 2021 and ₹300 lakh crore in July 2023—a mere nine months ago. During Monday's trade, the 30-share BSE Sensex jumped 0.67% to settle at 74,742.50—up 3.4% year-to-date | P16

## INVESTORS BETTING ON Q4 GROWTH HOPES

■ The unprecedented bull run in Indian equities comes amid rising retail participation as shown by sharp surge in the number of demat account holders from 36 million in 2019 to 151 million in 2023  
■ "Investors are betting big on Indian stocks on expectations of a strong growth momentum," Prashanth Tapse of Mehta Equities said

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STOCKS HIT THEIR 52-WEEK HIGH ON THE BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE ON MONDAY

# Court rejects interim bail to Kavitha in excise scam

Says prima facie material shows her involvement in alleged offence

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

IN a setback to BRS leader K Kavitha, a Delhi court on Monday denied her interim bail in the Delhi excise policy case. Rejecting the bail plea, special Judge Kaveri Baweja said the material presented by the Enforcement Directorate prima facie shows the Telangana politician is actively involved in the alleged money laundering offence, destruction of evidence, and attempting to influence witnesses in the case.

Kavitha, the daughter of former Telangana CM K Chandrashekar Rao, had sought interim bail saying her 16-year-old son has exams and needs her 'moral and emotional support'. The judge said there was no apparent reason why close relatives can't provide moral support to the child, rejecting the argument that they can't be a substitute for the mother to address the exam-related anxiety of the ward.

The court also noted that Kavitha, 46, can by no standards be considered a 'vulnerable' woman who could be made a scapegoat for committing the alleged offences, adding there is no compelling reason to grant her interim relief at this stage.

Kavitha was arrested by the ED on March 15 and remanded in the probe agency's custody till March 23, which was subsequently extended. Since March 26, she has been in judicial custody. According to the ED, she is part of the 'South Group' lobby, which allegedly paid ₹100 crore as kickbacks to AAP leaders in return for a big share of Delhi liquor licences.



K Kavitha

## AAP cries foul as ED grills MLA, Kejri aide

UJWAL JALALI @ New Delhi

THE Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Monday questioned Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's personal assistant Bibhav Kumar and Aam Aadmi Party legislator Durgesh Pathak in connection with the money laundering probe in Delhi excise policy case, evoking a sharp reaction from AAP that the BJP wants to stop it from campaigning in the Lok Sabha polls.

Sources said Kumar was questioned to seek some clarifications on some documents in the excise probe, while Pathak was called in connection with the party's 2021-22 poll campaign for the Goa assembly polls. Pathak was the AAP's in-charge for Goa elections. According to the ED, ₹45 crore from criminal activities were utilised in the electoral campaign of the AAP for Goa.

The probe agency had in its earlier chargesheets alleged that at least 36 accused, including former deputy CM Manish Sisodia and Bibhav Kumar, had destroyed, used or changed 170 phones to conceal evidence of 'kickbacks' worth thousands of crores in the alleged scam.

According to the ED, Bibhav's mobile phone IMEI number had been changed four times between September 2021 and July 2022.



Durgesh Pathak



## OUR FIGHT WILL CONTINUE: SIDDU

Bengaluru: Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday accused the Centre of attempting to mislead the Supreme Court by placing false information before it. "Our fight against the injustice will continue not only on the streets, but also in the court." | P8

# SC ON K'TAKA PLEA: LET THERE NOT BE UNION-STATE CONTEST

AGENCIES @ New Delhi

LET there not be a "contest" between the Union and the state, the Supreme Court said on Monday while hearing the Karnataka government's plea, seeking its direction to the Centre to release financial aid to it for drought management.

A bench of justices BR Gavai and Sandeep Mehta was told by Attorney General R Venkatar-

mani and Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, who appeared for the Centre, that they would seek instructions in the matter. The court initially asked the Centre to file a response to Karnataka's plea.

Urging the court to take up the matter after two weeks, the solicitor general said they would take instructions in the matter. Mehta said instead of filing the petition in the top court, if

somebody would have spoken to the authorities on the issue, it could have been resolved.

"We have seen various state governments are required to approach the court," the bench observed. Mehta said, "I don't wish to say why, but this is a growing tendency." The bench noted that the top law officers, who have appeared on advance notice, have stated that they would make a statement on the next date. It posted the matter for hearing after two weeks.

# BJP worker dies in freak accident during Shobha's B'luru campaign

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

IN a freak accident, a 62-year-old BJP worker died on Monday in KR Puram traffic police limits during the election campaign of Bengaluru North BJP candidate Shobha Karandlaje.

The victim, who was riding a motorcycle, was run over by a bus after he crashed into the door of a sports utility vehicle (SUV) used by Karandlaje and fell on the road. The victim has been identified as Prakash, a resident of TC Palya. The acci-

dent took place around 12.10pm near Ganesh Temple on Devasandra main road. Prakash was following her convoy when he crashed into the car door that was opened suddenly.

## SECURITY BREACH AT SIDDU'S RALLY

Bengaluru: A man carrying a gun in a holster garlanded Chief Minister Siddaramaiah while the latter was campaigning near Jayanagar on Monday. In videos that went viral on social media, the man gets on top of the open vehicle and garlands the CM | P7

The Union minister told reporters that the SUV was parked on the roadside and Prakash fell after crashing into the door that was opened. "I was campaigning in the area after parking the SUV. Prakash was our dedicated worker," she said. Prakash was shifted to a nearby hospital in an autorickshaw, where he was declared brought dead.

Meanwhile, Congress leaders criticised Karandlaje for not arranging an ambulance to shift Prakash to hospital and instead continuing her campaign.

## EXPRESS READ

### SC asks Google how location-sharing works

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday directed Google to explain how its PIN location-sharing on its map works. The court said it would examine later whether sharing location as a precondition of bail would violate an accused's right to privacy | P11

### Srinivas Pallia new CEO, MD of Wipro

Bengaluru: Thierry Delaporte has resigned as Wipro CEO and MD after serving the company for nearly four years. The IT major has appointed Srinivas Pallia as CEO and MD. He will be based in New Jersey.



## CELESTIAL DIAMOND RING

The Moon almost covers the Sun during a total solar eclipse, as seen from Mazatlan, Mexico, on Monday | A9

## BIBI SAYS DATE FIXED TO INVADE RAFAH

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Monday escalated his pledge to invade southern Gaza's, saying, 'There is a date'. He said Rafah operation is essential for Israel's victory over Hamas

## Irate Varuna villagers gherao Yathindra

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

FORMER MLA and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's son Yathindra Siddaramaiah was gheraoed by villagers during his campaign for Sunil Bose, Congress candidate for Chamara-Janagar Lok Sabha seat, on Sunday.

Hundreds of people from three villages of Siddaramaiah's home constituency Varuna, who are on a protest against the management of Bannari Amman sugar factory in support of their demands, accused Yathindra of taking advantage of their protest for political gains when he met them after campaigning at Mallupura village in Nanjangud taluk.

Tension prevailed there for some time when the protesters confronted Yathindra. "You are here just because of the LS elections. Otherwise, you wouldn't have met us," they told Yathindra. P4

# Saudi push for Kashmir talks between India and Pakistan

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

THE issue of Kashmir figured in the talks between visiting Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and his Saudi Arabian counterpart Prince Mohammed bin Salman in Makkah.

"The two leaders stressed the importance of dialogue between India and Pakistan to resolve the outstanding issues between the two nations, especially for the Jammu and Kashmir dispute to ensure peace and stability in the region," their joint statement released on Monday read after the bilateral talks a day earlier.

The two leaders also discussed the situation in Gaza and supported the peace process in accordance with the resolutions of UN Security Council and the UN General Assembly and the Arab Peace Initiative "for the establishment of an independent Palestinian state with East Jerusalem as its capital".

New Delhi's long-held position is that Kashmir is a bilateral issue between India and Pakistan and there is no ques-

tion of any third party role. Diplomatic ties between India and Pakistan remain downgraded ever since 2019 after Article 370 that gave J&K special powers was read down. However, Prime Minister Narendra Modi wished his newly elected Pakistani counterpart after the latter assumed power.

Though things haven't improved on the ground yet, the business community in Pakistan is pressing for resumption of cross-border trade with India. But New Delhi has always maintained that ties with Islamabad can improve only if it stop its terror factory.

Recently, Pakistan denounced defence minister Rajnath Singh's comment in a televised interview where he said India would track down and liquidate terrorists and even if they manage to cross the border.

These comments came after Pakistan cited a *Guardian* report alleging that India had killed 20 people in Pakistan since 2020 as part of a broader plan to target terrorists residing in foreign soil.



Saudi King Salman

**DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICER, BENGALURU DISTRICT & CHIEF COMMISSIONER, BBMP**  
N.R. Square, Bengaluru - 560 002.

**GENERAL ELECTION TO LOK SABHA - 2024**  
Subject: Submission of explanation to Notice issued asking for reasons for non-attendance to training by officers/personnel assigned for election duties on 07.04.2024-reg. and  
**Warning that strict action will be taken against additional personnel who do not attend the training.**

**Polling Personnel Deployment:**

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Date of 1 <sup>st</sup> level Election Training (for absentees and additional personnel) | 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 9.30 AM                                                    |
| Training Venue for PROs                                                                  | Government Pre University College, 18 <sup>th</sup> Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru-560012. |
| Training Venue for APROs                                                                 | Smt. V.H.D. Central Institute of Home Science, Sheshadri Road, Bengaluru-560 001.         |
| Date of 2 <sup>nd</sup> level Election Training                                          | Will be informed later                                                                    |
| Date of Mustering                                                                        | 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 9.30 AM                                                    |
| Date of Poll                                                                             | 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2024                                                               |

**FINAL CAUTION**  
Notice has been issued as per RP Act 1951 asking for reasons to those who have not attended the training held on 07.04.2024. Explanation to be given in person at your assigned training centres.  
Personnel assigned for election duties should compulsorily attend on the date and time at the centres for training, mustering and poll duty.  
Further, failure by any personnel to attend, immediate FIR will be booked u/s 134 of RP Act 1951 against the defaulting official and appropriate legal action will be taken and disciplinary action will be initiated under relevant service rules and penal code.  
A Nodal Officer has been appointed from each office for the purpose of polling personnel deployment. The Nodal Officer shall serve the election duty orders on their staff and issue Notice asking for reasons for non-attendance and take responsibility to ensure their attendance at the training and poll duty. Any negligence in performing the above said duties will attract cognizable penal action u/s 134 of RP Act against the Nodal Officer.  
Polling personnel can download Presiding Officer Handbook from <https://eci.gov.in>

District Election Officer, Bengaluru District & Chief Commissioner, BBMP, Bengaluru



SYMPTOMS INCLUDE DISORIENTATION, RAPID HEARTBEAT, NAUSEA

# 569 HEAT-RELATED ILLNESSES, ONE HEAT STROKE RECORDED IN STATE

RISHITA KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE city's existing water crisis is further exacerbated by the current heat waves with the state documenting 569 cases of heat-related illnesses, including 367 cases of heat rashes, 131 cases of heat cramps, 70 cases of heat exhaustion, and only one case of heat stroke, as of April 7.

While reports claim 600 heat stroke cases in the state, hospitals in the city including Victoria and Bowring Hospital, apart from other private and government hospitals, when questioned about the number of heat stroke cases, stated that no such instances were reported. According to data from the health department, the only case of heat stroke involved an 85-year-old man from Mysuru district, with no cases recorded in Bengaluru Urban. "What people confuse with a heat stroke is heat exhaustion, a condition that occurs when the body overheats with symptoms that may include heavy sweating and a rapid pulse," clarified a health expert.

Simplifying the terms associated with Health-Related Illnesses (HRI), Dr Sheela Murali Chakravarthy, director of Internal Medicine at Fortis Hospital explained, "While experiencing excessive heat can trigger heat stroke, the most serious HRI, which occurs when body temperature escalates to

hazardous level, surpassing 40 degree Celsius, are the heat cramps, which are painful muscle spasms that occur if one is too active in hot weather."

Symptoms of heat stroke include disorientation, rapid heartbeat, nausea, and loss of consciousness. Heat stroke demands urgent medical attention to avert severe complications such as organ failure or fatality, whereas, heat cramps stem from excessive fluid loss and depletion of essential minerals like sodium and potassium due to perspiration and generally affect the legs, arms, or abdomen. Heat cramps can be alleviated by resting in a cool environment, hydrating with electrolyte-rich fluids, and delicately stretching affected muscles, Dr Sheela added.

Explaining heat rashes, Dr Sheela said that tiny red bumps or blisters are skin problems and occurs when sweat gets trapped under the skin's surface, often because of tight clothing. Heat rash mostly shows up in areas where the clothes rub against your skin, like the neck, chest, groin, or elbows. Heat rashes are not serious and can be prevented by wearing loose clothes and staying cool and dry. Starting from March, the health department has been gathering data on suspected heat stroke cases and deaths via the Integrated Health Information Portal (IHIP).



## PROVIDE HEAT WAVE COMPENSATION OF ₹5K TO STREET VENDORS: AICTU

Amidst the scorching heat, street vendors have been largely affected. Members of the All India Central Council of Trade Unions (AICTU) urged the government to provide every street vendor with an umbrella and be compensated with Rs 5,000 as heat allowance for the months of April and May. They also demanded that water be distributed at every marketplace and BBMP parks be kept open through the day so that vendors can beat the heat and rest at these spots. "This has a direct impact on the livelihoods of thousands of vendors. Section 31 of the Street Vendors Act, 2014 mandates that the government take steps to ensure a welfare scheme for street vendors," said Appanna PP from AICTU.



## WEEK OF FESTIVITIES

People throng a market in Malleswaram for Ugadi shopping on Monday: (Right) With celebrations in full swing, girls pose with mehendi on their palms as part of Ramzan celebrations in Bengaluru on Monday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA/ ALLEN EGENUSE J

# Siddu writes to KSCA to honour three great stars of 1974 victory

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah wrote a letter to Raghuram Bhat A, president of the Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA), Bengaluru to honour the batsman GR Viswanath and the spin twins EAS Prasanna and BS Chandrasekhar by naming stands ahead of the 15th anniversary of Karnataka's historic win in the Ranji Trophy. Responding to a letter that was sent on

March 29 from Ramachandra Guha, an Indian historian and environmentalist, urging Siddaramaiah to write to the KSCA, the CM wrote a letter on April 4. "He (Guha) stated that there are repeated requests from fans to honour the three great stars of the 1974 victory: the batsman GR Viswanath and spin twins EAS Prasanna and BS Chandrasekhar. He further stated that in Mumbai, Delhi, Kolkata, and other places, main cricket stadiums have stands

named after great players from the city or state, yet, there are no stands in Bengaluru named after GR Viswanath, EAS Prasanna, and BS Chandrasekhar," Siddaramaiah highlighted in his letter to KSCA. Siddaramaiah acknowledging the merit in Guha's request, urged the KSCA to consider naming the stands after GR Viswanath, EAS Prasanna, and BS Chandrasekhar. He emphasized that such a gesture would inspire and motivate budding cricketers of the State.

# IIIT-B starts PG progs on Cloud, DevOps

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore (IIIT-B) launched an Executive Post-Graduate Certificate programme in Cloud and DevOps, powered by upGrad that provides integrated learning, skilling and workforce development majors. This innovative online programme will offer in-depth coverage of Amazon Web Services (AWS), Microsoft Azure, and Google Cloud Platform (GCP) services, including concepts tested in AWS and Azure exams. The 8-month online course is designed with extensive hands-on training, and GenAI to improve workflow for non-techies to bridge the market-talent supply gap.

Through 50 live training sessions, learners will develop core DevOps skills such as continuous integration and continuous delivery (CI/CD), containerization (Docker, Kubernetes), and infrastructure as code (IaC). They will also learn to design scalable microservice architecture, implement robust monitoring and logging, and utilize AI tools for code analysis, security enhancement, and process automation. Students will have the opportunity to receive additional hands-on training in preparation for the AWS Academy Cloud Foundations, Azure Fundamentals, and AZ-104 certification exams, making it a comprehensive learning experience. The programme will commence on June 30 2024.

# Water scarcity: Two elephants die of dehydration, third slips into Cauvery

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

FOR the first time this year, two elephants have died due to health issues leading to dehydration. Due to prolonged drought, severe dry spells, water scarcity and delayed pre-monsoon showers, stress levels in forests and among wildlife are on the rise.

Officials of Bannerghatta National Park (BNP) recorded the death of a 25-year old makhana (tuskless) male elephant in Bilikal state forest division, bordering Tamil Nadu. The preliminary report said the animal died due to 'Elephant Herpes Virus' that leads to severe dehydration. "Post-mortem revealed the animal's organs were infected with the virus. Such animals begin thirsting for water, and due to water scarcity, the ailment and inability to walk long distances killed the animal. Around 50 per cent of water bodies in BNP

have dried up and there is 50% water in the remaining water bodies," said BNP Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Prabhakar Priyadarshi.

In another case, a 15-year-old tusker was found dead in Ram-anagara Wildlife Sanctuary of metabolic acidosis, due to non-availability of food and water in the area. "The animal was first found dehydrated around four days ago, and was fed bananas, watermelon and water. Since it is a wild animal, it travelled further. On Sunday morning, it was found dead. Post-mortem revealed the animal had consumed unripened mangoes that led to indigestion and acidity. This happened because quality food and water are not available. However, farmers are crying foul as their farmlands and tanks are being raided by elephants," said Ramanagera DCF Ramakrishna.

Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary also reported the death of a female elephant aged around 25

years on Monday. "Veterinarian teams found the carcass of the elephant floating in the Cauvery river. Postmortem revealed the animal was trying to cross the river. But since the water level is low and stones are slippery, she slipped and fell and hit the rocks."

A senior forest official said: "This year is stressful for animals. The few natural water bodies in forests are contaminated, as animals both defecate and drink there. However, solar enabled water bodies are cleaned regularly. Elephants usually walk long distances (at least 25km) in search of water, but for smaller herbivores like deer, scarcity of water in 5-10sqkm area is a concern. Each division is preparing a drought and stress report which will be sent to the ministry for further action."

Chief Wildlife Warden Subhash Makhade said the three deaths were due to different reasons. This year water is available in pockets, but due to heat there is a continuous dry spell.

## CM inaugurates Kaveri Hospital

Bengaluru: Chief Minister Siddaramaiah inaugurated a new branch of Kaveri Hospital Group in Marathahalli on Saturday, April 6. The new hospital offers round-the-clock emergency services, accident care, and intensive care unit facilities with specialised physicians providing various healthcare services, including orthopedics, cardiology, maternal and child care



## 'Take up works immediately to prevent water leakage'

Bengaluru: BWSSB Chairman V Ram Prasat Manohar directed officials to take up urgent works to prevent water leakage and give a comprehensive report on Wednesday. He held a meeting with the officials on Monday and gathered information about leakages in pipelines of the water board across the city. It was noticed that in areas where there are a lot of ongoing construction work, it is impossible to replace installed pipelines. Officials informed the chairman that in some places, the pipes are very old and work needs to be carried out to replace them.

## We will take steps to ease water crisis during festivals: BWSSB chief

Bengaluru: On the occasion of Ugadi and Ramzan festivals, the authorities are ready to take necessary measures to prevent water problems in the city, said Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) chairman V Ram Prasat Manohar. Speaking during a meeting with senior officers of the Board on Monday he said, "Steps should be taken so that the public do not face water problems during the festivals," he instructed officials. He also directed officers and staff to be available for emergency work on festival days.

## Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

09<sup>th</sup> April: I mentioned Saturn yesterday. Well, the current Sun-Saturn pattern is a sure sign that traditional values must be respected. In fact, babies born today (and yesterday and tomorrow) will have strong conservative instincts. It's also pretty certain that they'll be very unpredictable as well - real live wires!

### ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

You're one to set the rules, rather than obey them! Consider the course of action that is correct for you, rather than just going along with the crowd. Distant places may beckon, and on the most mundane level this is a useful day for fixing travel plans.

### TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)

Social connections could involve legal complications. Just how why this should be so is not clear, but you can help matters along by making sure that you know exactly what is your responsibility - and what is a partner's. Mind you, they might not agree with you!

### GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

Your very personal business could appear to be someone else's problem, but you shouldn't believe everything you hear. At work there are ways to boost your income, but only if you approach the issues from a radically different direction. You may have to drag colleagues into the present, though!

### CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

As soon as one relationship is ended another will begin, which must be good news. Yet, it may be your own attitudes which need attention, rather than the people you mix with. You can, if you wish, completely transform your feelings and behaviour within one special intimate partnership.

### LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)

Sometimes the right words come out in the wrong way. Too much has been said in haste or in anger recently, and you should now find ways to recharge your emotional batteries. Try to find imaginative means of increasing your earning power, but remember to consult others at every step.

### VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

One particular emotional involvement is now passing through a curious phase. What once seemed so true may now seem like a waste of time. You may feel free to speak your mind and put your foot down, and shouldn't be intimidated by others' ability to confuse the issues.

### LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

You're coming up to a critical moment for home and family relationships, and any and all positive changes ought now to be encouraged. There should soon be good news for those planning a move, and while financial matters look uncertain, you may need to reach the best agreement you can.

### SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

You may still have to consider long-term investments, but it's immediate cash concerns which need sorting out first. You're at your most persuasive, so you may try presenting proposals which have already been rejected, giving them an entirely different gloss.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)

The climate is still much too volatile to settle on long-term plans. The current feeling that everything is up for grabs should suit your temperament, so you'll be tempted to put aside any lingering fears for your security. Keep partners informed as and when you feel it's necessary.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)

There is intense pressure for constructive change across the board. You may be primed to benefit most if you are pursuing a creative line, or committed to any activity which is designed for self-improvement. Only the highest standards will do!

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

What you do with your private life is up to you. However, others may disagree! It's especially important to keep a dialogue going at home, all the more so if you want to keep parents or children on your side. If you try to go it alone then you'll almost certainly come unstuck.

### PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20)

You will be tempted into rash decisions and impulsive actions, a tendency which although strong today, may continue all week. The final decision must always be yours, but do be aware of the likely consequences: there is no substitute for careful planning.

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**CROSS WORD**

**ACROSS**

- I'm set on frenziedly but give a licking (7)
- They are used for cheating and lying (5)
- Important resolution of where to put the body? (5,8)
- Spirit used in petrol lighters (5)
- Savage blast that is dispersing (7)
- Strain to find way about the ship (6)
- Climbs on the weighing machine (6)
- Out of bed with a jump - he's only just made it (7)
- Scene of combat a long time back (5)
- Trial marriage? (8,5)
- Unusually dry around central Greece - piping required (5)
- Ordains an arrangement for smoothing things out (7)

**DOWN**

- Synonymous with right? Could be (5)
- Miserable and penitent (2,1,5,5)
- The gardener likes to see it overgrown (7)
- It's a necessity to want to exist (4,2)
- Firm measures briefly making money (5)
- It's always first, and may need capital (7,6)
- Tennis players may play them for one point (7)
- A runaway affair on ship? (7)
- What an obliging snake may be to entertain (7)
- Rhubarb jams? (6)
- Possibly play about half of it appropriately enough (5)
- Drained of blood - like poultry (5)

**JUMBLE**

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

CKNAL  
NIFTA  
TYSOPT  
DOEBRR

Most people would have stopped to help the motorist, but he wasn't that.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: ELECT FEIGN ATTACH MADDER  
Answer: His custom, open-topped bottles made for pouring beverages were — "HAND-CARAFE-TED"





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**FIRS BOOKED**  
1,422

**COMPLAINTS ON CVIGIL**  
19,201

Public grievance calls received through Voters Helpline

15,127

247 Total candidates contesting phase-2 elections



**SC's piercing scrutiny of the central govt's callous delay in releasing drought relief funds is a ringing vindication for Karnataka**

@rajeegowda, Bengaluru North Congress candidate

TWEET OF THE DAY

## TROUBLE FOR JOSHI AS SEER TO JOIN POLL BATTLE FROM DHARWAD

Caste remains big factor - Joshi is Brahmin, while swami is Lingayat

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

WHILE Union minister Pralhad Joshi's followers had been hoping that the Dingaleshwara Swamiji would give up the fight for Lingayat assertion, the seer upped the ante and addressed the media in Bengaluru on Monday, clearly indicating that he would not withdraw from the fight.

Fakeer Dingaleshwara Swamiji, a Lingayat seer, confirmed that he would contest as an independent candidate in Dharwad against Joshi, a Brahmin, and Congress candidate Vinod Asuti, a Kuruba. On Monday, a day before the auspicious festival of Ugadi, he claimed that Joshi was drunk with power and money.

"Pralhad Joshi has crushed so many leaders, there are too many to count... Some cannot leave the confines of their house, some cannot come into public in their taluks or villages," the Dingaleshwara Swami said.

He alleged that Joshi's followers have hatched a conspiracy against him, but claimed that nothing would happen. He took oath that he would not wear a mala or accept garlands until he achieves what he has set out to do.

Dharwad constituency has about 19 lakh voters, of whom 6-7 lakh are Lingayats, there are about 4 lakh SC/ST voters and about 3 lakh minority voters. The remaining belong to various backward castes. In the eight segments, both Congress and BJP are evenly poised - four are held by the Congress and the other four by the BJP.

"The messaging of Dingaleshwara Swamiji is very strong, which could affect voting in North Karnataka. This is the first time in any general election that this schism has opened up. There is no leader Joshi can turn to, with BS Yediyurappa on the sidelines. They are alleging that Joshi's high-handedness in party affairs, especially among Lingayat leaders, has led to this. Joshi has little or no community base and is dependent on Lingayat votes," said political analyst BS Murthy. The swamiji addressed the media at the Veerashaiva Mahasabha office, where he was welcomed by Mahasabha secretary Renuka Prasanna. "The swamiji has said that Joshi, who belongs to the Brahmin community which represents just 2 per cent of the population, has snatched away representation from Lingayats, who represent about 20 per cent. Lingayats have not been treated with fairness or dignity. It is our duty to support the swamiji."



## Union minister not to react to Dingaleshwara seer's criticisms

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hubballi

UNION Minister Pralhad Joshi has maintained his stand that he will not respond to any criticism by Dingaleshwara Swamiji of Shirahatti Bhavaikya Peeth, and would consider every allegation of the seer as a blessing.

Reacting to the swami's decision to contest as an Independent against him in Dharwad Lok Sabha segment, Joshi said he has already taken the stand of not reacting to whatever the Lingayat pontiff says about him. Since he holds the seer in high esteem, it would not be fair to comment, he said.

Joshi refused to react to the social media campaign by a certain 'Joshi Brigade' against the Dingaleshwara swami, and clarified that he has no association with any such brigade. Since social media is an open field, he would not respond to the campaign.

The Union minister said the LS election was being held on national issues and development works taken up in the constituency, and caste or community issues are at the periphery. The question before voters was whether the country needed the leadership of Narendra Modi or Rahul Gandhi, and whether INDI Alliance should come to power or NDA should continue. "The people will decide, he added.

On the campaign front, national leaders including Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister Amit Shah, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and others will hold public meetings and road shows. However, their dates would be finalised depending on their availability, he said.

Lashing out at the Siddaramaiah government, Joshi said the state was in a dire fiscal condition despite an increase in property tax and stamp duty, and corruption had also increased. On the other hand, revenue generated was lost in implementing guarantee schemes. Releasing drought relief of just Rs 2,000 to farmers itself demystified CM Siddaramaiah's claims about the state's financial position.



Senior BJP leader CT Ravi addresses a press meet, as sitting BJP Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha looks on, in Mysuru on Monday | UDAYSHANKAR S

## Congress manifesto inspired by Taliban, divides society: Ravi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

SENIOR BJP leader CT Ravi has stoked controversy by saying that the election manifesto of the Congress for the upcoming Lok Sabha elections is inspired by the Taliban and supported by the Naxals.

Speaking to the media at the BJP office in Mysuru on Monday, the former MLA said that the Congress was established by AO Hume, and in the first two decades, it remained an organisation to submit applications to the British. "But later, several leaders joined the Congress and worked for the independence movement. But after Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru turned the Congress into a family party. He laid a strong foundation for his family in the party, which is still being continued by Rahul Gandhi. It has supported Urban Naxalites. Its manifesto is inspired by the Taliban and supported by Naxalites," Ravi said.

He said the manifesto promotes division in society. "If people vote for the Congress"

guarantees, there will be more cooker blasts in the state," Ravi said.

Slamming the Congress for turning into a communal party and thereby dividing the people in the name of caste and religion, Ravi said that the political parties fight the Lok Sabha elections on their principles, the welfare programmes initiated for the people, and on the leadership. "The Congress should reveal the programmes given to the state while they were in power at the Centre. PM Modi has given a lion's share of funds to the state. There should be discussion over national issues, financial development, and the future of the country. There should be discussions on the funds provided to the state during the Manmohan Singh and Modi governments," he alleged.

On whether Vokkaligas will vote for Congress candidate M Lakshmana as the BJP denied tickets to him (Ravi), DV Sadananda Gowda, and Pratap Simha, Ravi said that the party never sidelined Vokkaliga leaders and they will be given prominent posts in the future.

## Kumaraswamy meets Krishna, seeks his support

BENGALURU: Former chief minister and JDS candidate for Mandya Lok Sabha seat HD Kumaraswamy met former chief minister and senior BJP leader SM Krishna at his residence here on Monday, and sought his support. Congress candidate from Mandya Star Chandru too had recently met Krishna. Kumaraswamy was accompanied by Leader of the Opposition in the Assembly R Ashoka, former deputy chief minister Dr CN Ashwath Narayan, and JDS leaders Puttaraju and Nikhil Kumaraswamy. Speaking to reporters after the meeting, Kumaraswamy said Krishna is a senior leader who has worked for the development of the state, and he sought the veteran leader's blessings. The JDS leader hit out at the Congress for its social media campaign against him. Stating that he is capable of responding to all questions, the former CM asked the Grand Old Party to fight the polls directly, instead of resorting to misleading online campaigns. **ENS**



## POLL VAULT

### Laxmi not a Panchamasali, says Nirani

BELAGAVI: Hitting out at Women and Child Welfare Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar for allegedly making personal remarks against BJP Belagavi candidate Jagadish Shettar, former minister Murugesu Nirani claimed that Hebbalkar belongs to the Lingayat-Banajiga community, and is not a Lingayat-Panchamasali as claimed by her. Nirani said the caste of Hebbalkar's parents in Hattiholi, Khanapur taluk, was Lingayat-Panchamasali, but the caste of her husband is Lingayat-Banajiga. Hence, Laxmi Hebbalkar and her son Mrinal, who is the Congress candidate for the Belagavi Lok Sabha constituency, belong to Lingayat-Banajiga community, said Nirani. Accordingly, he said Hebbalkar should stop claiming herself as a Lingayat-Panchamasali to mislead people of the community. He also took exception to Hebbalkar allegedly comparing herself to Rani Chennamma of Kittur, and said that the valiant queen had waged a war against the British. "So, it is unfair for somebody to compare themselves with such a great warrior," he added.

### BSP state chief to contest from Chamarajanagar

MYSURU: The BSP, which has made a considerable impact in the previous elections in the Chamarajanagar Lok Sabha constituency, has fielded Karnataka BSP chief M Krishnamurthy from the segment for the upcoming polls. Krishnamurthy has urged the voters to defeat the BJP and Congress candidates, claiming that those conscious voters disillusioned by both parties will support the BSP. He said that the BJP failed to raise issues related to Karnataka in Parliament and should be shown the door.

"The MPs are tight-lipped on the three controversial farm bills. They did not pull up the government for denying scholarships to 65 lakh SC/ST students. They act as per the directives of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah. The BJP is more worried about waiving of corporate loans and continues to harass people under the guise of GST," he charged.

### Women outnumber men in Udupi-C'magaluru

CHIKKAMAGALURU: Udupi DC and Lok Sabha Returning Officer Dr K Vidyakumari said women voters in the Udupi-Chikkamagaluru constituency outnumber men voters. There are 8,16,910 female voters, compared to 7,68,215 male voters here. During a 'Meet the Press' programme in Udupi on Sunday, Vidyakumari noted that there are 360 polling stations here, some of which are identified as 'critical'. Besides model polling stations for women, youth, differently-abled and ethnic groups, she pointed out that 756 complaints were received through the cVIGIL app. Referring to the arrangement of counting centres in Udupi, the DC said counting would take place in two blocks -- one for Udupi and the other for Chikkamagaluru. Pooled EVMs will be brought in containers from Udupi and Chikkamagaluru and kept in storage rooms. Every candidate should maintain election expenditure details in the given format book, after filing of nomination papers, day-to-day expenses, etc. The book and expenditure particulars should be handed over to election expenditure observers for verification. Expenses should be mentioned in the book until the date of result announcement and submitted within 30 days of the result in the presence of the election officer, failing which the candidate will be disqualified, informed Vidyakumari.

### VILLAGERS WARN OF ELECTION BOYCOTT

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THE irate villagers took Yathindra to task for not taking steps to resolve their problems with the help of his father (CM). They also threatened to boycott the LS elections. Taken aback by the villagers' reaction, Yathindra left the spot swiftly. This is the second such incident Yathindra is facing within a month. When he tried to hold a public meeting in Varuna in March, people protested and prevented his entry into Muddurahundi village.

## BASIC NEEDS

## Deprived of roads, power, water, Soliga tribals raise boycott weapon

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mysuru

THERE is anger in the hills over decades of neglect, and the lack of basic amenities like roads, power supply and piped drinking water. The Soliga tribals living in Biligiri Rangathaswamy Hills in Yelandur taluk of Chamarajanagar district, disillusioned by the lack of development, have resorted to use the only weapon they possess: their vote.

They are putting up boards threatening to boycott the Lok Sabha elections. The tribals have put up a tent in their hadi, and launched a stir against the underdevelopment that has made their lives dark and difficult. They carry patients on homemade stretchers to the nearest asphalted road to reach an ambulance, and thereby hospital, and walk to nearby open wells or borewell pumps to meet their drinking water needs.

The three-day stir by 60 families brought more than 650 families on board as all nine tribal hadis, including Purani Podu, Hosapodu, Mudigadagadde



Podu, Yakanagadde Colony, Bangale Podu, Kalyan Podu, Kanneri Colony, Keredmaba Podu, Combegaddapodu, Nelikedaru Podu and other hamlets extended support and put up boycott posters.

"How long should our children live in darkness and walk on narrow forest paths," asked Made Gowda, a tribal. He said this has hit children's education and their mobility, and many walk for 5km to reach school. They blame forest and revenue officials for the pathetic conditions, and say that neither have elected representatives exhibited the political will to bring Soliga tribes to the

mainstream. The three-day stir has drawn the attention of the authorities, and even visitors.

Though the tribals are into bee-keeping and collection of minor forest produce, the prevailing drought has hit their livelihood as they don't get jobs in the hills. Bommalah said tribals are not given employment under the National Rural Employment Guarantee scheme, forcing them to shift base to nearby towns to earn their bread and butter.

Lakshmi, a tribal woman, said the government should start high middle school in the Ashram school that admits students from Class 1 to 5. How can children continue with higher classes when there are no roads or vehicle facility, she asked.

Tribal leaders called off the stir after Assistant Commissioner Shivamurthy and other officials requested them, and promised to meet their demands within 45 days. They said the district administration is open to upgrading the school and getting power connections.



CM Siddaramaiah campaigns for Bengaluru South Congress candidate Sowmya Reddy in Bengaluru on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

## Siddu, DKS keen to win B'luru seats

ENS @ Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah continued his campaign in Bengaluru for a second day, while Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar is also focusing more on the Bengaluru Lok Sabha constituencies.

Presently, all three LS constituencies in Bengaluru Urban are represented by MPs from the BJP. Siddaramaiah, who continued to campaign for the Congress' Bengaluru South Lok Sabha candidate Sowmya Reddy, said the latter was treated unfairly during the counting

of votes in the Assembly elections last year, and lost the polls by a few votes. "We will get justice in the court," he said.

He urged people to give her justice in their court. He also slammed sitting MP and BJP candidate Tejaswi Surya, asking "on what basis will he seek votes when he failed to raise his voice for the state in Parliament?"

Later in the day, the CM campaigned for Mansoor Ali Khan, the Congress candidate for Bengaluru Central Lok Sabha constituency. The CM slammed sitting MP PC Mohan, stating that

the latter has won several times from the constituency, but has never raised any Bengaluru-related issue in Parliament. "He did not bother to question the injustice done by the Centre to the state," he alleged.

Shivakumar is also campaigning for the party's Bengaluru Lok Sabha candidates, and is meeting voters. Just a few days ago, he met apartment residents in the city. On Monday, he took part in a road show, seeking votes for Mansoor, while participating in road shows at Gandhinagar, Rajajinagar and CV Raman Nagar.

## 'Cong guarantee cards will be distributed soon'

ENS @ Shivamogga

THE cards containing the 25 guarantee schemes promised by the Congress, signed by AICC chief Mallikarjun Kharge and Congress MP Rahul Gandhi, will be distributed in Shivamogga soon, SBUDA chairman HS Sundaresh said on Monday.

Sundaresh said the Congress government in the state successfully implemented its five guarantees. "Around 4,60,000 in the district are availing benefits from the guarantees. Earlier, around 50,000 signed guarantee cards were distributed in Shivamogga. Now, 25 guarantees announced by the Congress will also be fulfilled and the party is bound to keep its promises," he claimed.

"The 25 guarantees include Rs 1 lakh per woman member of a family for a year, stipend to diploma students, waiver of higher education loan, providing MSP, health insurance to people, probing alleged major scams of the BJP government, providing jobs to the urban poor, increasing daily wages under MGNREGA, and others," Sundaresh added.



# Man jumps to death from 19th floor of hotel

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
@Bengaluru

A 27-year-old man from Salem in Tamil Nadu died under mysterious circumstances after falling from the 19th floor of Renaissance Hotel in Madhava Nagar, on Race Course Road, around 2.30 pm

on Monday.

The victim has been identified as Sharan Kumar. He is suspected to have jumped from the balcony on the 19th floor of the hotel and died. He checked into the hotel on Saturday for a day. However, he extended his stay by two more days. It is said that he was a regular guest at

the hotel and stayed a few times. At the time of check-in, he told the receptionist that he was in Bengaluru for business.

## Moving suspiciously

DCP (Central) HT Shekhar told reporters that the incident happened around 2.30 pm.

A few minutes before the incident, Kumar was found moving suspiciously in the balcony of the 19th floor. The hotel guests, who observed this, brought the matter to the notice of the security. By the time the security approached him, he jumped. Kumar is said to have come to the hotel alone.

After the incident, when the police checked his room, they found his Aadhaar card and are trying to contact his family through the Salem district police. The High Grounds police, who registered a case of unnatural death, shifted the body for postmortem. Investigations are on.

## Applications invited for fancy vehicle numbers

ENS @ Bengaluru

IN line with Rule 46 (AA) of Karnataka Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, the state transport department has invited applications for the allotment of fancy vehicle registration numbers for Light Motor Vehicles (cars, etc) between 1 and 9999. The auction will be done at the Transport Commissioner's Office in Shantinagar for the series 'KA 50/MD (Yelahanka RTO) at 12 pm on April 18.

Citizens can participate in the auction by submitting an application along with a DD for Rs 75,000 drawn in the name of the Secretary, State Transport Authority, Bengaluru (except DD obtained in co-operative banks) with receipt. The DD and application should be submitted before 12 pm on April 18. Tokens will be issued to the applicants participating in the auction and the fancy numbers will be allotted to the highest bidders through an open auction.

Successful bidders have to pay the total bid amount in the form of DD within two working days and get a vehicle registered within 90 days, failing which the bidding amount will be forfeited by the government.



Volunteers eat watermelon during the solar eclipse, to bust myths associated with the celestial phenomenon, in Bengaluru on Monday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

## Rationalists serve snacks, fruits during solar eclipse

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
@Bengaluru

TO bust myths and superstition associated with solar eclipse, a group of anti-superstition activists served fruits and snacks to people to send a message that having food or doing normal tasks during an eclipse will not have any impact on their health or fortune.

"Ask for receipts from astrologers who charge money and suggest rituals for such events. These people have no control over other's fortune and lack scientific temperament. If their suggestions flop, then based on

the receipts, we can drag them to the consumer court," said Narasimha Murthy, founder Moodanambike Virodhi Okkuta.

In TV debates, astrologers tell viewers that should be done and what not. A scientist is a competent authority to comment and not an astrologer, he said adding that to bring awareness among the public, this event was held. "Suggestions like pregnant women should not go out, one should not eat and other advice given by some astrologers during eclipse are wrong. Such people should be ignored," Murthy said.

## Two, including Nigerian, held for drug peddling

BENGALURU: The anti-narcotics wing of CCB arrested two drug peddlers, and seized over 9 kg of drugs worth Rs 4.10 crore in separate cases. A 32-year-old Nigerian was arrested for allegedly carrying over 4 kg of MDMA crystals worth Rs 4 crore. The police identified the accused as Henry Chukwemeka, a resident of Saptagiri College Road in Jalahalli. A CCB official said Henry came to India in 2022 on a business visa, and had overstayed. The drugs were smuggled from Nigeria concealed in women's handbags, making it difficult to be tracked at airport checkpoints, as they were covered with carbon wrap. In another incident, a 28-year-old food delivery executive was arrested for carrying 5.5 kg of cocaine worth Rs 10 lakh. The police identified the accused as Babajothi Diluyuru, a native of Assam.

## Five held with fake currency worth ₹30 crore

BENGALURU: The CCB seized over Rs 30 crore fake notes and Rs 23.5 lakh in cash from five persons, who lured people claiming that they would ensure CSR grants to trusts and NGOs. They fled, taking a commission of Rs 25 lakh. Police identified the accused as Sudhir (49), Kishore (44), Chandra Shekar (48), Thiritha Rishi (28), and Vinay (42). Sources said Kishore and Sudhir approached various trusts, claiming to have connections with reputed private firms and that they would provide substantial CSR funds. To win the trust of victims, Chandra Shekar, Vinay, and Rishi showed fake currency through video calls, claiming that they are representatives of private firms. The accused, on the pretext of getting CSR funds, took a commission of Rs 25 lakh and fled.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that our client proposes to purchase the Schedule Property from Sri.Josline Sebastian S/o Sri.P.A.Sebastian, residing at No.1332, 18th Main, 5th Block, 1st Stage, HBR Layout, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore - 560 0431.

Any person (s), having any claim over the schedule property may lodge his / her / their objections of claims in writing with all supporting documentary evidences with regard to such claims with the undersigned within 15 days hereof, failing which, our client will proceed to complete the process of purchase. Any objections/claims received thereafter will not be entertained / binding on our client.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**  
All that piece and parcel of property bearing house list katha no.953, property no.20, BBMP Katha no.384/139-20, situated at Nagavara Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District, measuring East to West: 30 ft., and North to South: 40 ft., (30 ft. x 40 ft.), and bounded as follows, on the East by: Private property (property no.19), West by: Private property (property no.21), North by: 25.0 feet Road and South by: Private property (property no.25).

**R.Rajalakshmi, Advocate**  
No.520, 3rd Floor, Prabhat Complex, K.G. Road, BANGALORE - 560 009.  
Date: 08-04-2024

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**Sri. Prashant Kumar K., "LEX FACTUM", Advocate and Legal Consultant,**  
No.690, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 36<sup>th</sup> Cross, 11<sup>th</sup> Main, Rajajinagar 2<sup>nd</sup> Block, Bangalore-560 010

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified and informed that, my client Smt. B.T.Sundari Sabhi, wife of K.Sabin James has purchased the property mentioned in the schedule here under from Sri. Keshava Rao Puttur and Aluru Gattina Vani, by way of registered Sale deed, and link document Original Sale deed dated 18-10-2012, registered as document No.DP-1-4300/2012-13, Book-1, Stored in CD No.DP/133, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Byatarayanapura. It is submitted that my client, while in transit at Vidyanagara on 25-3-2024 the said original document has been lost. Any person/s in contact of the same or found they may kindly return the same to my client or the below mentioned address. In this regard my client also lodged a police complaint in respect of the lost document through online which has registered as Lost Report No.0989358/2024, on 25-03-2024.

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All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing vacant Site No.10, Old Khatra No.38, New Khatra No.847/992/10, Situated at Valsadnalli village, Yelaheri Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 35 feet, in all measuring 1400 square feet, and Bounded on the East By: Site No.11, West By: 30 feet Road, North By: Site No.12, South By: Site No.10, E.T. Divakara, Advocate, No. 15, 2nd Floor, 1st Main Road, Vittanagar, Kumaraswamy Layout, Bangalore-560076. Mob No: 9741818992

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## FORM NO.3 [See Regulation-15 (1) (a)] BEFORE THE HONOURABLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BENGALURU (DRT-I) BSNL BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAJBHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU-560001 O.A NO: 892/2020

BETWEEN  
KARNATAKA BANK LTD.,  
Bangalore -Kasthurinagara Branch  
... APPLICANT  
AND  
Smt. SAROJA W/o Madhukumara  
& another  
...DEFENDANTS

**Summons under Rule 23 (VIII) of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1993 by way of paper publication**  
To,  
1. Sri. T.R. PRAVEENA S/o T.R. RAJU, Aged about 41 years ...DEFENDANT NO.3  
2. Smt. T.Y. VEENA W/o T.R. PRAVEENA, Aged about 29 years, Both are also residing at No.14, 14th D Cross, 3rd main, Hoysalanagara, TC Palaya, R. M. Nagar, Bangalore-560016. ...DEFENDANT NO.4

**NOTICE ON IA**  
WHEREAS, the Applicant Bank in this case has filed an Interlocutory Application under Sec 22(2)(h) of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 R/w Order 1 Rule 10(2) of CPC against you for impeding in this case as proper and necessary parties for its effective adjudication on the questions in issue. The Hon'ble Tribunal vide Order dated 21.07.2023 had ordered to re-issue Notice on the said IA along IA copy to the proposed Defendants by way of Paper Publication.

It is therefore, through this Notice you are hereby summoned to appear before this Tribunal at 10.30 AM or at such time immediately thereafter according to the convenience of Tribunal on 17.08.2024 to answer the claim.

2. A copy of the Interlocutory Application filed under Sec 22(2)(h) of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 R/w Order 1 Rule 10(2) of CPC is enclosed herewith.

3. If you intend to file any documents, you may file the same with a list along with the objections of the said IA.

4. You should file your registered address and a memo of appearance when you enter appearance before the Tribunal either in person or by a pleader/advocate duly instructed.

5. Take notice that, in default your appearance on the day mentioned herein before, the proceeding on the said IA will be heard and determined in your absence. Given, under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this 27 / March / 2024.

By order of Tribunal Registrar

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| Sl  | Name/s of Borrower(s)/ Mortgagor(s)/ Guarantor(s)                   | Outstanding dues to be recovered (Secured Debt) (Rs.)                                                                                                                                                         | Description of the Immovable Property / Secured Asset (1 Sq. mtr. is equivalent to 10.76 Sq.ft)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Type of Possession  | Reserve Price (Rs.)<br>Earnest Money Deposit (Rs)                                                                         | Date of Auction and Time           |
| 1   | Mr. Troomuluri Sudheer (Borrower)                                   | Loan Account No. (1) 664985340 - Rs.66,01,180/- (2) 667582068 - Rs.2,07,404/-<br>Total Amount Rs.68,08,584/- (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakhs Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty Four Only) due as on 30.06.2022 | All that piece and parcel of the property / Site / Unit bearing No.09, project known as "GREEN APPLE VILLAS", Nerulur Panchayathi E-Khatra No.150200101500220049 (722/9), comprised in Sy.No.31/2 and Sy.32/2 situated at Thirumangaladhal Village, Attibole Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District. Site measuring East to West: 30 feet and North to South: 50 feet, totally measuring about 1500 Sq.ft and bounded on the East by: Site No.10, West by: Site No.8, North by: Sy. No.31/1, South by: Road. And any construction thereon.                                                                                                    | Physical Possession | Rs.75,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Lakhs Only)<br>Rs.7,50,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only)                 | 30.04.2024<br>12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM |
| 2   | Mrs. R Anuradha (Borrower) and Mr. Narendra Kumar M P (Co-Borrower) | Loan A/c No. (1) 626971800 Rs.33,52,321/- (2) 626971996 Rs.26,55,760/-<br>Total Amount Rs.60,08,081/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Eight Thousand and Eighty One Only) as on 31.05.2020                                | All that piece and parcel of residential 2 bed room apartment bearing No.202, in the 1st Floor, of the building known as "NISHI PALACE", having a super built up area of 1080 Sq. Feet along with one covered car parking space provided in stilt floor with proportionate share of 300 sq. feet of undivided share, right title and interest in the land bearing Site No.9AM-225, Site No.9M-226, situated at Hennur Road, Banaswadi Road Layout, 1st Block, formed by the Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore, Now Corporation Municipal No.9M-226, HRBR Layout, 1st Block, Corporation Ward No.88, PID No. 88-250-9M-226, Bangalore. | Physical Possession | Rs.62,40,000/- (Rupees Sixty Two Lakhs Forty Thousand Only)<br>Rs.6,24,000/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Twenty Four Thousand Only) | 30.04.2024<br>12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM |

- Inspection Date & Time: 18.04.2024 & 25.04.2024 between 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM.
- Minimum bid increment amount: Rs. 20,000/-
- EMD Amount Submission on or before : 29.04.2024 (Before 5.00 PM)

\*together with further interest @ 18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred up to the date of payment and / or realisation thereof.

For any assistance related to inspection of the property, or for obtaining the Bid document and for any other queries, please get in touch with Mr.Yogesh.N / Shridhar Chinnai official of HDFC Bank Limited through Tel.No.080-41182283, 080-41182126 / 9449808072 / 7795853045

To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer of HDFC Bank Ltd, there are no encumbrances in respect of the above immovable properties / Secured Assets.

Date: 09.04.2024  
Place: BANGALORE

For HDFC Bank Ltd.  
Sd/- Authorized Officer of HDFC Bank Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002

## XPRESS FOCUS REMARKABLE OPPORTUNITY KIIT Partners With United Nations to Offer Students Opportunities to Serve in UN Agencies

In a landmark event today, KIIT signed an MoU with the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme. This historic collaboration paves the way for KIIT students to engage directly with the United Nations, offering them a platform to serve as National UN Volunteers across various UN agencies. This initiative marks a significant milestone, being the first of its kind for a private university in South Asia.

In the presence of Dr Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS; Mr. Shombi Sharp, the UN Resident Coordinator in India, and Ms. Radhika Kaul Batra, Chief of Staff at the UN Resident Coordinator's Office (RCO), the MoU was exchanged between Mr. Sushil Chaudhury, Country Coordinator, UN Volunteers, India & Prof. Saranjit Singh, Vice Chancellor, KIIT DU.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr Sharp highlighted the importance of lifelong learning and praised Dr Samanta for his vision and efforts in providing holistic education to children in Odisha and beyond.

Sharp also extended congratulations to KIIT on its numerous accolades, including a prestigious UNESCO award, underlining the global recognition of its educational model. He commended the institute for emphasizing education in the mother tongue, which plays a crucial role in preserving culture and enhancing learning experiences.

Dr Samanta, in his address, said This partnership opens a remarkable opportunity for our students to engage with various UN agencies to serve as National University UN-Volunteers who will be deployed for various

development initiatives within the UN agencies. This initiative will provide young people with first-hand experience and enable them to contribute to sustainable development efforts alongside UN partners and local communities. It will also be an opportunity for them to gain valuable professional experience in international development, shaping their future career paths.

As per the MoU, students will have the rare chance to gain hands-on experience in international development, working alongside



UN partners and local communities. The programme is designed to nurture the talents and skills of students, equipping them with the knowledge and experience necessary to flourish in the global development arena.

This exposure is invaluable, offering insights into the workings of international development projects and sustainable development efforts. It's an unparalleled opportunity for students to gain professional experience that could shape their future career paths in the realm of global development.

The delegation comprised William Hanlon, Chief of Field Office UNICEF; Abha Mishra, Head of Office, UNDP Odisha, Himanshu Bal, Head of Office WFP Odisha. Vice Chancellor of KISS-DU Prof Deepak Kumar Behera also attended the MoU signing ceremony.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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- ANNUAL CIVIL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR PLANT AREA AT BRBNMPL, SALBONI; MSTC EVENT NO. BRBNMPL/SALBONI PRESS/MMD/224-25/ET/4 [ACMC FOR PLANT AREA]; BRBNMPL TENDER NO. 002/SAL/MMD-CIVIL-2024-25; [ESTIMATED COST - ₹27.50 LAKH]

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Senior General Manager







# MAN WITH GUN GARLANDS K'TAKA CM AT POLL CAMPAIGN

Riyaz was a Cong worker for the last 25 yrs

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IN an alleged incident of security breach, a man carrying a gun garlanded the Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah while the latter was campaigning for Sowmya Reddy, the Congress candidate from Bengaluru South Lok Sabha constituency, at Byrasandra near Jayanagar, on Monday.

In the videos that went viral on social media, a person is seen getting on the top of the open vehicle on which Siddaramaiah and other leaders were campaigning and garlands the CM, Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy, Sowmya, and former MLA RV Devaraj.

The person, who was later identified as Riyaz, is seen carrying a revolver in a holster in his waist.

While the police claimed that they were unaware that the person was carrying a weapon, Devaraj told report-

ers that Riyaz was a Congress worker from Siddapura for the last 25 years and he was carrying the licensed gun as he was facing a life threat. However, it is yet to be verified why Riyaz had not deposited the licensed weapon as the Model Code of Conduct is in force.

Terming the incident a 'security breach', the Leader of the Opposition in the Assembly, R Ashoka, slammed the Congress government and held the police department responsible for the incident. During the elections, weapons are supposed to be deposited a month before but the Congress workers are still carrying guns in their pockets as their government is in power, he said.

"This is nothing but goonda raj," he charged. Ashoka further said that the BJP would file a complaint with the Election Commission of India in this regard.



WE, THE PEOPLE

An elderly couple cast their vote via postal ballot at their residence in North Chennai LS constituency on Monday | P JAWAHAR

## Panur blast sparks political row ahead of polls

PTI @T'puram

WITH the Lok Sabha polls just weeks away, the recent country bomb blast in northern Kannur that killed a person and injured three others who were allegedly making the crude explosive has triggered a political quarrel in Kerala.

The opposition Congress has accused activists of the ruling CPI(M) of direct involvement in bomb-making, while the Marxist party has denied the charges and distanced itself from the allegations and the persons who were injured in the blast.

Leader of Opposition in the

State Assembly VD Satheesan alleged on Monday that the person responsible for making the bomb, who was killed in the blast, was affiliated with the ruling party. Those who were injured in the explosion, which took place at Panur in Kannur district on Friday, and those who had taken them to the hospital were also CPI(M) workers, he said.

"Those who went for the funeral of the deceased person were also activists of the CPI(M). Then how can the ruling party evade responsibility for making the bomb?" Satheesan asked while talking to reporters here.

Asking whether the bomb

was made to kill the activists of the Congress-led UDF, he also accused Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, who holds the home portfolio, of promoting criminals. "The chief minister is the one who encourages all criminals in the state. Then he says that they will win the Lok Sabha polls.

The LDF will not win even a single seat," the LOP remarked.

Meanwhile, Vijayan assured the public that he would take stringent action, beyond politics, against those involved in bomb making but defended the CPI(M) in the ongoing row. He also justified the visit of the party's local leaders to the house of Sheril, a resident of Kaivelikkal who had succumbed to blast injuries, saying they did not do anything "prohibited".

While speaking to reporters at Adoor in Pathanamthitta, Vijayan said the making of bombs cannot be accepted at any cost.

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VD Satheesan, Leader of Opposition

## Green barriers will stop sea sand erosion: Experts

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WALLS do not help in controlling soil erosion along the coasts, infact they make matters worse, noted experts and forest department officials. Hence, action will be taken to increase the natural green barriers by planting trees, creating mangroves and strengthening estuaries, in order to control sea sand erosion and improve Karnataka's coastline.

Under Karnataka-Shore (K-Shore), the forest department is working on planting ten rows of trees. If all goes as per plan, then Karnataka can be the first state to implement the green barriers in the coastal areas. However, Tamil Nadu has already been working on the same project and they are better placed when compared to Karnataka in their work.

Karnataka is behind schedule in its planning because of the assembly and parliament elections.

"Creating concrete walls is not the solution for controlling soil erosion, more natural solutions are needed to tackle the issue. We presented this plan to the NITI Ayog in 2023, and they agreed to support the five-year-long project. Even the World Bank has agreed to fund 70 per cent of the project cost which is Rs 840 crore. The final project report detailing the work for the next five years will also be submitted to World Bank before starting the work on ground," said a senior forest official working on the project.

Of the 320 kms coastline of Karnataka, the state forest department along with ministry

of environment, forests and climate change (MoEFCC) and Port Authority of India (PAI) have identified 240 kms stretch, where the plantation project can take place. Fishermen and village panchayats are also keen about the project, as it will help them revive the native fish population.

"It is important to stabilise soil erosion during high tide and low tide. Earlier, area specific plantation was present in patches across the coast line. But they were destroyed over the years. Places where mangroves previously existed, are being surveyed. Saplings will be raised in nurseries during the monsoon season, and from October they will be planted into the land," the official said.

As per reports, from 2011 to

2022 the PAI had spent Rs 271.78 crore on constructing walls. When the state took up wall building works in Karwar, Udupi, Mangaluru and other surrounding areas, in 2022 and 2023, the neighbouring states had complained that this was leading to heavy sea erosion and high tide in the beaches and effecting the fishermen.

The MoEFCC officials said due to construction of walls, the hydro-static pressure of the waves shifted aggressively to other areas. The salinity and heat on the sea shore changed, and affected the aqua life. Besides, the walls collapsed during high tide, and large chunks of land was flowing into the sea. With the green cover, these situations can be avoided, explained the official.

## SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket launched

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IN another achievement of India's commitment to indigenous satellite manufacturing in the private sector, Space X—a satellite communications company, owned by tech-nocrat Elon Musk launched the Indian assembled satellite into space. Tata Advanced Systems Limited (TASL), which works in the domain of aerospace and defence solutions and is headquartered in Hyderabad, and Satellogic Inc. (SATL) a company that works in sub-metre resolution Earth Observation (EO) data collection from Uruguay, announced the successful deployment of TASL's TSAT-1A satellite aboard the Bandwagon-1 mission into space.

The mission was launched by SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket from Launch Complex 39A at Kennedy Space Centre, Florida, USA, on Sunday.

The TSAT-1A has been assembled in TASL's Assembly, Integration and Testing plant at the Vemagallu facility in Kolar, Karnataka. The satellite will deliver high-resolution optical satellite images with increased collection capacity, dynamic range, and low-latency delivery through its multispectral and hyperspectral capabilities. This technological advancement is also expected to significantly benefit both government and enterprise sectors by providing tailored satellite data for various applications.

Sukaran Singh, chief executive officer and managing director, TASL, said, "This milestone shows TASL's commitment to the space sector. This is a first step. Our partnership with Satellogic has enabled us to deliver an assembled and tested in India, best-in-class, sub-metre optical satellite which was launched by SpaceX."

## Father, son, forge site documents, get mortgage loans from banks

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OWNERS have to think twice about keeping their sites vacant, and assume they are safe. A father and son in Jnanabharathi police station limits in Bengaluru have created, concocted and forged fake documents for eight vacant sites, and got them registered at a Sub-Registrar's office. They also went ahead and mortgaged the sites and took loans using bogus records. One of the eight cases came to light when a site owner, Raghavendra Rajarao, a 51-year-old computer professional from HMT Layout, filed a complaint with Jnanabharathi police station on March 11, alleging that his site had been mortgaged with State Bank of India (SBI) by Shivanna (37), son of Veerabhadrapappa (87), residing at Mallathahalli.

Rao stated that he had bought site No.47 at Mallathahalli in Bengaluru North three decades ago, and pays tax regularly to Bruhat Ben-

galuru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP). He used to visit the site often but was surprised to see a possession notice put up on the site by SBI on his last visit on February 22.

Suspecting something fishy, he checked with SBI and learnt that the site had been registered with fabricated documents, and a loan had been taken on it. The encumbrance certificate revealed that one Achukuttan PA had bought the site from Shivanna, who got it from his father Veerabhadrapappa.

Rao alleged that the Sub-Registrar of Peenya and BBMP officials were also part of this conspiracy. Surprisingly, even bank officials delayed taking action on this illegal transaction. Similar offences were committed by Shivanna in the surrounding areas to knock off sites, Rao alleged, requesting police to take action. Meanwhile, both father and son moved court, seeking anticipatory bail on the ground that they were innocent. Countering it, the investigating officer

station in October 2023. However, two months ago, he was released from jail. Based on preliminary investigation, the inspector said, "After his release, it seems that Teja feared some consequences and he shifted from Borabanda along with his mother to Pragathi Nagar."

On Saturday, Teja organised a party at his house where he invited some of his friends and they consumed alcohol, the police said. "Sivappa was one of those who participated in the party," the inspector added.

Soon after the party, around 3 am on Sunday morning, the assailants, including Sivappa, attacked Teja with knives and stones. When the police found Teja's body, there were 12 stab wounds and severe head injuries. The Bachupally police have registered a case against the accused and are investigating the murder. "We are currently checking the previous records of the accused," the inspector said.

## Ex-MLA's son arrested in accident case

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OVER three months after he was named the main accused in a road accident case, Raheel, son of former Bodhan MLA Shakeel Aamir, was arrested by the Panjagutta police on Sunday night. After he reportedly confessed to his offences, he was produced before a magistrate and remanded to a 14-day judicial custody on Monday.

Soon after the accident in December, Raheel was reported to have fled to Dubai and the police had issued lookout notices against him. "He returned to Hyderabad on Sunday night and surrendered himself in the police station," said Panjagutta station house officer (SHO) Bandari Shobhan, denying rumours that Raheel was arrested at the airport. "We have recorded his statement and further investigation is underway," he added.

Though the police had also issued a lookout notice against former MLA Shakeel Aamir, he is "yet to appear before the investigating officer as per the orders of the High Court," said West Zone DCP S M Vijay Kumar in a press release. In the wee hours of December 24, 2023, a BMW car, reportedly driven by Raheel in a reckless and dangerous manner, crashed into a traffic regulation barricade in front of Praja Bhavan at Somajiguda.



Riyaz, carrying a revolver in a holster, garlands CM Siddaramaiah as he campaigns for Bengaluru South candidate Sowmya Reddy in Jayanagar, Bengaluru, on Monday

## SC stays trial against TN minister in graft case

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY  
@NewDelhi

IN a major relief to Tamil Nadu Rural Development Minister, I Periyasamy, the Supreme Court in its order on Monday stayed the trial court proceedings against him in connection with a corruption case.

The apex courts two-judge bench, led by Justice Hrishikesh Roy and also comprising Justice Prashant Kumar Mishra, pronounced the order after hearing an appeal filed by Periyasamy, who had moved an appeal before it challenging the Madras High Court's order for initiating the trial against him in the corruption case.

Lawyer Ram Sankar, appearing for Periyasamy, had earlier sought the SC's direction for deferment of trial and exemption from personal appearance in the graft case before a Chennai court.

Today, during the course of the hearing, Senior advocate Kapil Sibal, appearing for Periyasamy, said that even though the Apex Court granted him

liberty to apply to the Trial Court for deferment of the trial, the same application was declined. The Trial Court declined to defer the trial because of the High Court's direction to conclude the trial on or July 31, 2024. After hearing Sibal's submissions, the top court stayed the trial court proceedings against Periyasamy in the case.

"This Court is examining the merit of the same judgment. We are of the view that the trial ordered by the (Trial) Court should not proceed while this court is considering the challenge by the accused. Accordingly, the proceedings is stayed until the next date of the hearing," the Apex court said in its order.

Primarily, a trial court had on March 17, 2023, discharged Periyasamy on the corruption charges, due to lack of evidence. But on February 26, this year, the Madras HC had set aside the March 17, 2023 discharge order and ordered to initiate the trial against him. Periyasamy then had moved the SC by filing an appeal and challenging the HC order.







# CM ACCUSES CENTRE OF TRYING TO MISLEAD SC ON DROUGHT AID

Says FM, HM falsely claim K'taka was late in submitting its request

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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday accused the Centre of attempting to mislead the Supreme Court by placing false information before it over the rightful drought relief that Karnataka is entitled to. He termed it highly deplorable.

"Faced with continued delays by the Union government in providing the rightful drought relief to Karnataka, our government was compelled to seek justice from the Supreme Court. During today's hearing, Solicitor General Tushar Mehta argued that the Karnataka government is to blame for the delay in drought relief, suggesting a political motive behind it. This is highly condemnable," the CM stated after Karnataka's petition seeking the apex court's direction to the Centre to release funds to tackle drought came up for hearing.

The chief minister stated that in an attempt to shift the blame on the state government to cover up the Centre's failures, the solicitor general informed the SC that Karnataka should have talked to the Centre for drought relief.

Siddaramaiah said that his government submitted a memorandum, including details of losses suffered and funds expected to tackle drought in the state, to the Centre in September last.

The CM said he along with Revenue Minister Krishna Byre Gowda had met Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah in New Delhi and made an appeal for financial assistance to tackle drought. Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar too had met the Union Finance Minister.

"Despite all this, the Union Finance Minister and the Home Minister falsely claim that the Karnataka government was late in submitting its request. Today, the Union government repeated this lie before the Supreme Court as well," the CM said.

Taking into account the statement made by the solicitor general, the SC posted the matter for hearing after two weeks. "Our fight against the injustice done by the Union government will continue not only on the streets, but also in the court. We will expose the lies of the Union government one by one and reveal its true face to the people of the state," the CM said.



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Siddaramaiah, Chief Minister

## Centre should wake up now, release funds: Min

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WITH the Centre seeking two weeks time in the Supreme Court to decide on Karnataka's petition for drought-relief funds, Revenue Minister Krishna Byre Gowda said at least now the Union government should wake up and release the funds.

Karnataka's petition seeking the apex court's direction to the Centre to release drought-relief funds came up for hearing on Monday.

The minister said the court expressed its view that the delay is not right and on behalf of the Central government, the Attorney General and Solicitor General sought two weeks time to decide and come back before the court.

The minister said when the court was to issue a notice, the Attorney General and Solicitor General requested not to issue the notice, stating that they will decide on it and come before the court. "I think they (Centre) understood the court's views. The bench also said if you (Centre) take a decision, it can be settled out of the court. The court also expressed optimism that the Centre will take such a decision," the minister said.

The minister and senior officers from Karnataka were present in the Supreme Court when the case came up for hearing. He said the state had submitted a memorandum to the Centre early and even a central team had visited 13 districts in the first week of October last year. By November 20, officials had submitted their report to the Union

Home Minister, he said.

"But from November 20 to till now, the high-level committee had not taken the decision. The file is gathering dust on the Home Minister's table. We continued our efforts and met the secretaries of agriculture and home departments, and also Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, Home Minister Amit Shah and Prime Minister Narendra Modi in December 2023," the minister said and added that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah had again met the PM in January and put forth the same request.

As per law, the Centre should have released drought-relief funds in November, within one month of the Central team's visit, he said. "The Central government was in deep slumber and meted out injustice to Karnataka. We were forced to approach the Supreme Court and on March 23, we filed our application. The central government woke up after that and wrote to the Election Commission on March 28 that too after realising that the matter is coming up before the Supreme Court," he said.

The minister said at least now the Central government should release funds. The state has asked for Rs 18,172 for drought relief, of which Rs 4,663 crore was for providing relief to farmers. If Rs 4,663 crore is released, each farmer can get around Rs 13,000. During the drought, if the money is given to farmers, they will at least get some relief.

The minister hoped that the Centre would take a decision so that farmers get Rs 13,000 relief.

# Hassan twist: Preetam followers shock Prajwal, support Shreyas

BR UDAYA KUMAR @ Hassan

NDA alliance candidate in Hassan Prajwal Revanna got a rude shock, after a section of BJP workers decided to campaign for Congress candidate Shreyas Patel. The BJP workers are led by Uddur Purushotam, a confidant of former BJP MLA Preetam J Gowda.

Purushotam, who reportedly played a key role in Preetam's victory in Hassan in the 2018 assembly elections, met Shreyas Patel along with hundreds

of BJP workers. Purushotam promised Shreyas that they would support him and also campaign for the Congress.

Purushotam took the decision close on the heels of BJP Karnataka election in-charge Radhamohan Das Agarwal promising JDS leaders that he would take the initiative to patch up differences between Preetam and Prajwal, after taking Preetam into confidence recently.

However, there is no sign of an end to the rift between Preetam Gowda and Prajwal Revanna,

as senior BJP leaders are reportedly not interested in resolving the issue. Agarwal, who was in Hassan recently, promised BJP and JDS leaders that he would make sincere efforts to resolve the issue by taking Prajwal to Preetam, who is campaigning for NDA candidate Yadeveer Krishnadatta Wadiyar in Mysuru. Agarwal, though, went back on his word and said Preetam would campaign for Prajwal whenever he visits Hassan, and is currently busy in Mysuru.

## OFFICIALS TURN TO YAKSHAGANA TO PUSH VOTERS TO POLL BOOTHS

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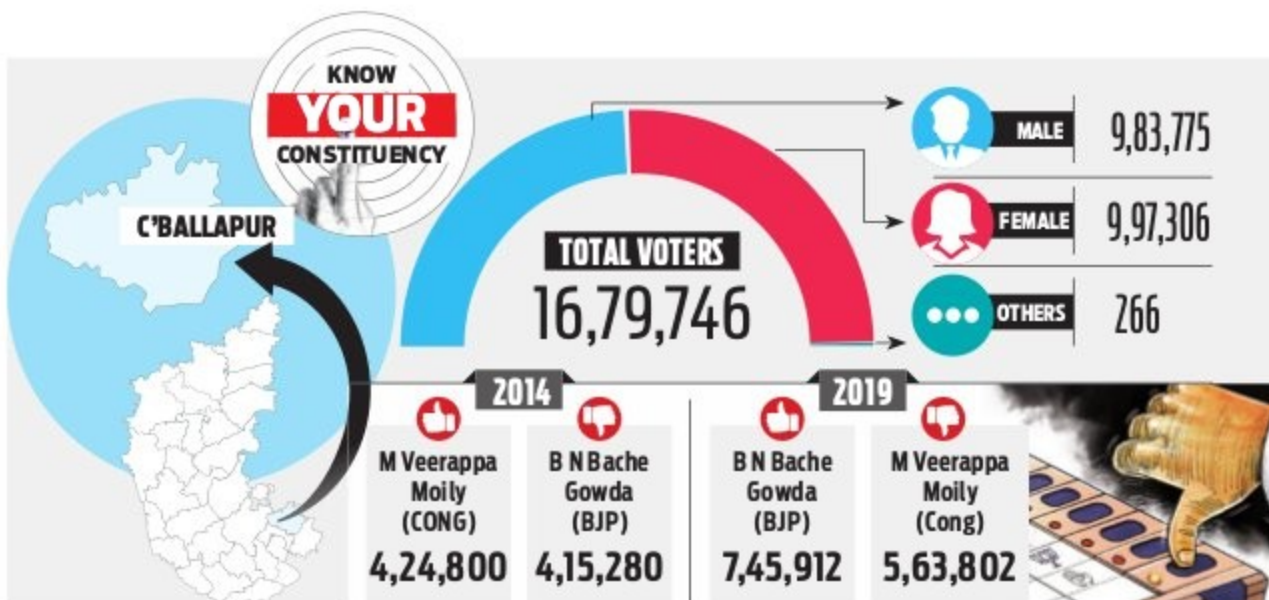
THESE officers are literally getting into the spirit of the voting game: To raise voter awareness, IAS, IPS and KAS officers of Udupi district donned the costumes of Yakshagana artistes and presented a show on the importance of the ballot.

Voter awareness programmes are in full swing in the district to ensure good turnout on April 26 in Udupi-Chikkamagaluru Lok Sabha constituency, and on May 7 in Shivamogga Lok Sabha constituency (Byndoor assembly

segment of Udupi district is part of Shivamogga LS seat).

Among the interesting initiatives being taken up by the Udupi district SVEEP committee headed by ZP CEO Prateek Bayal was the Yakshagana performance. Prateek Bayal, Kundapur AC Rashmi, Udupi ADC Mamatha Devi G S and Coastal Security Police (CSP) SP Mithun H N swapped uniforms and formal wear for the folk artistes' costume and greasepaint for about five hours.

The officers thoroughly enjoyed the process as they were donning the costume for the very first time. A basic training



# WILL BJP-JDS ALLIANCE DENT CONG'S PROSPECTS IN C'BALLAPUR?

V VELAYUDHAM @ Chikkaballapur

CHIKKABALLAPUR Lok Sabha constituency is not just located close to Bengaluru but also has several Assembly segments that are urban and considered to be part of the state capital.

Chikkaballapur constituency has eight Assembly segments — Gauribidanur, Bagepalli, and Chikkaballapur (Chikkaballapur district), Yelahanka (Bengaluru Urban district), and Hoskote, Devanahalli, and Doddaballapur, and Nelamangala (Bengaluru Rural district).

Despite its proximity to Bengaluru city, the Chikkaballapur LS segment faces several woes, including shortage of drinking water, unemployment, and lack of basic infrastructure, especially in rural pockets of Bagepalli and Gauribidanur. As a result, the constituency sees rampant migration of people to neighbouring urban settlements, mainly Bengaluru, for employment opportunities.

Politically, the constituency has always been a Congress stronghold. In the 2019 General Elections, the Congress-JDS alliance fielded senior Congress leader and former chief minister, M Veerappa Moily, against the BJP's BN Bache Gowda. Moily, who had won from Chikkaballapur twice in the past (2009 and 2014) lost to Gowda, and thus the BJP won the constituency for the first time. Fast-forward to 2024 the alliance this time is between the BJP and JDS, with the Congress ruling the state. The NDA has fielded former Karnataka health minister Dr K Sudhakar against Congress' Raksha Ramaiah, who is general secretary of the Youth Congress. Ramaiah is the son of former minister MR Seetharam and the grandson of politician and educationist MS Ramaiah. Both the leaders are making their debuts in Lok Sabha polls and are confident of winning.

Dr Sudhakar, who had entered Vidhana Soudha by winning the Chikkaballapur segment three times in the past, lost last year's Assembly elections.

Ramaiah belongs to the Balija community, which has a significant presence in Begepalli and Chikkaballapur constituencies. Dr Sudhakar, who hails from the Vokkaliga community, was also the district minister of Chikkaballapur and Bengaluru Rural districts during the BJP rule. He is confident of getting the Vokkaliga, SCs, and other community votes. Also, the JDS support, which garnered close to 2.25 lakh votes in the district in the 2023 Assembly polls, will come in handy for Dr Sudhakar.

Ramaiah, on the other hand, is sure of a win after the Congress bagged five of the eight Assembly segments in the 2023 polls. Informed sources told *The New Indian Express* that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, who is considered to be close to Seetharam, has told Congress workers to work hard to ensure Ramaiah's victory.

## Cong's youth power to lock horns with BJP biggies in Bombay-K'taka

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @Belagavi

FIVE young turks of the Congress will test their mettle against BJP bigwigs in all the five constituencies of Bombay-Karnataka in the May 7 Lok Sabha elections. The clash between the young candidates on one side and experienced and popular leaders on the other in all these constituencies is expected to go down to the wire given the volatile political situation in the region, according to political watchers.

The Bombay-Karnataka region with 56 assembly segments is a Lingayat heartland and as expected, most of the candidates hail from this dominant community.

The BJP has fielded its best — Union Minister Pralhad Joshi from Dharwad-Hubballi, former CM Jagadish Shettar from Belagavi, former CM Basavaraj Bommai from Gadag-Haveri, former minister Vishveshwar Kageri from Uttara Kannada and senior leader Anasaheb Jolle from Chikkodi.

The Congress, on the other hand, is banking on its youth power, fielding Mrinal Hebalkar from Belagavi, Priyanka Jarkiholi from Chikkodi, Anand Gaddadevarmath from Gadag-Haveri, Vinod Asuti from Dharwad-Hubballi and Anjali Nimbalkar from Uttara Kannada.

Twenty-six-year-old Priyanka is the youngest of the five



Both (Priyanka and Mrinal) are young and educated with the ability to deliver in the event of getting an opportunity. The youngsters should be given a chance to work for the development of their constituencies

Laxmi Hebalkar, Minister

Congress candidates while the oldest are Anjali and Gaddadevarmath, both aged 47.

The BJP candidates have vast experience in electoral politics with Shettar, Bommai and Kageri winning six, four and three assembly elections, respectively, and Joshi and Jolle winning four and one LS elections, respectively.

All five of them have carved a niche in politics and held important positions in the party and the government over the past decades.

It will be a challenging task for the Congress candidates, especially Priyanka and Mrinal, who just completed their studies in recent years and entered politics. "Both are young and

educated with the ability to deliver in the event of getting an opportunity. The youngsters should be given a chance to work for the development of their constituencies," said Women and Child Development Minister Laxmi Hebalkar.

Priyanka, who draws inspiration from her father Satish Jarkiholi, said she will devote herself for the development of Chikkodi if she wins. A young politician, she is confident of winning the seat given the huge support the Congress campaigns are getting in her constituency.

Anjali is a doctor by profession and was MLA of Khanapur for one term. With the support of the large Maratha community, which she belongs to, Nimbalkar's fight against Kageri in Uttara Kannada is expected to be close. She switched to Uttara Kannada from Khanapur, but is confident of putting up a good show.

Asuti and Gaddadevarmath also are young leaders who will take on the two most-popular leaders of the BJP, Joshi and Bommai. The internal rifts in both the camps over the selection of candidates ahead of the polls may affect the prospects of saffron candidates here.

All candidates in the five Bombay-Karnataka constituencies have already hit the campaign trail and it is expected to gain pace once the process of filing of nominations begins.

In a boost to Congress, former Chikkaballapur MLA, KP Bache Gowda, quit the JDS to join the GOP because he was unhappy with the NDA fielding Dr Sudhakar. And in a boost to the BJP, former MLA Shiv-anand joined the saffron party and is supporting Dr Sudhakar.

While 22.6% of voters belong to the Vokkaliga community, to which Dr Sudhakar belongs, 22% are SCs. While the Minorities make up 8.6% of the voter population, Balija, to which Ramaiah belongs, is 8%.

Dr Sudhakar, after having lost the 2023 Assembly elections, is leaving no stone unturned to win the battle. The JDS leaders and workers, too, are rallying behind Dr Sudhakar.

Ramaiah, who has been in touch with the Congress leaders for the last one year, has the support of party senior leaders and is also hoping that the victory wave of the Congress in the 2023 polls will help him cross the finish line.

### POLL VAULT

#### Modi to campaign in K'taka on April 14

Mangaluru: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will campaign in the state on April 14, addressing an election rally at Goldfinch City, Bangrakur, in Mangaluru at 3 pm and holding a roadshow at Bengaluru North constituency at 5.30 pm. BJP state general secretary and MLA V Sunil Kumar said they are expecting over 1 lakh people to turn up for the rally. "We will convey three concepts -- Surakshit, Sanskritik and Viksit Bharat -- during our door-to-door campaign," he said. **ENS**

#### Rahul, Priyanka to visit state soon

Bengaluru: Congress leaders Rahul and Priyanka Gandhi will visit Karnataka soon for election campaigning. KPCC President DK Shivakumar said the leaders have given a couple of dates which will be finalised soon. Shivakumar also said they have requested KPCC President Mallikarjun Kharge to campaign here. "He is in demand in North Indian states," he said. Soon, they will release the dates when these leaders will tour Karnataka. Shivakumar and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah are expected to visit other states, including Uttar Pradesh and Telangana for campaigning. **ENS**

#### VOTE WITHOUT FAIL: RAMESH ARAVIND

Bengaluru: Actor Ramesh Aravind, who has been named election ambassador for Bengaluru, called upon people to vote without fail to take the nation forward. At a voting awareness programme at BMS Women's College in Basavanagudi here on Monday, he said, "We can ensure justice for democracy only when we all vote together. When 20% of people shout in unison, there is not much noise. And when 100% people raise a slogan, the sound will carry far. Similarly, in an election, just 20% of people voting is of no use." He asked voters to check who their candidate is in their constituency, what they have done, what their background is and what they have achieved in the last five years. **ENS**



Udupi district officials don Yakshagana costumes to create awareness on voting



### VOTE TO HAVE YOUR SAY

People take part in a bullock cart rally organised by the district administration to create awareness about voting in Chikkamagaluru district on Monday | **PTI**



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— Ramnath Goenka

## COURSE CORRECTION NEEDED TO REVERSE SLUMP IN FDI INFLOW

**S** LUGGISH growth in foreign direct investment is the latest concern for the Indian economy. Despite being the fastest-growing large economy in the world, India's FDI has been falling, suggesting a change in the global investment outlook. While several emerging Asian economies continue to attract foreign investment, some in the developed world—particularly the US—have also seen their FDIs grow. But things have played out differently for India despite the common thought that investors' China + 1 strategy would mostly benefit us. Instead, ASEAN countries such as Vietnam, Indonesia and Thailand have been attracting large amounts of foreign investment in greenfield projects. Meanwhile, India continues to suffer from policy uncertainties that discourage foreign investors.

The FDI slump has been playing out over a few years. In 2022-23, FDI equity inflows declined 22 percent to \$46 billion. In 2023-24, till December 2023, FDI equity inflows fell 13 percent year-on-year to \$32 billion. The number looks slightly better when reinvested earnings and other forms of capital are added to the FDI equity inflow; in 2022-23, total FDI declined 16 percent to \$71 billion, compared to a 3 percent increase to \$85 billion in the previous year. Even as the finance ministry has blamed the trend on a global investment slowdown in recent times, India's case seems more long-term in nature—setting in since 2016-17. In the 10-year period to 2022-23, India's FDI grew at a compounded rate of 6.6 percent, compared to 27 percent in the previous decade. Total FDI as a percentage of the country's nominal GDP was 2.1 percent in 2022-23, compared to 2.7 percent in 2021-22; the highest of this measure that India ever achieved was 3.5 percent in 2008-09.

So, instead of blaming our FDI contraction to a global slowdown, the government must look elsewhere for answers. Foreign investors continue to be wary of India's bureaucratic hurdles, uncertain tax policies and difficulties in enforcing contracts. The government has announced many incentives for investment in the manufacturing sector; but it is also true that disbursement of those incentives is often marred by delays and at times even refused because of seemingly minor reasons. The competition for attracting foreign investment is getting tougher with many smaller developing economies playing their cards better. India needs to run faster if it wants to board the investment bus again.

## INDIA'S DOPING SHAME A WORRY IN OLYMPIC YEAR

**I**NDIA may not figure at the top of the world in Olympic sports. However, when it comes to doping, the country remains on top. This is another ignominy for the country after the World Anti-Doping Agency's (WADA) Operation Carousel found discrepancies in the testing system of the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA), especially on the whereabouts of athletes. According to the latest WADA report, India topped the world in the percentage of doping positives against the number of samples tested. In 2022, NADA returned 125 positives, which was about 3.2 percent of the total number of samples collected. South Africa, among the nations that had collected more than 2,000 samples for the year, followed India with 2.09 percent samples testing positive. India was on top in 2021, too—with 2.3 percent samples testing positive.

This is doubly embarrassing in an Olympic year. It is disconcerting that Indian athletes continue to dope and the numbers suggest the practice is quite rampant. Before the Olympics, the authorities need to tread a cautious line because one doping failure is enough to tarnish the country's reputation. NADA, too, needs to be more vigilant. The number of tests needs to increase. Through the total number of samples tested increased from 1,794 in 2021 to 3,865 in 2022, it is nowhere near China's testing figure of 19,222 samples, which returned 23 positive cases. The US Anti-Doping Agency, too, had a high number of positives at 84 from 6,782 samples. In 2019, before the pandemic, NADA had tested 4,008 samples and the positives stood at 225 or 5.6 percent. In 2022, there were some high-profile cases as well, which indicates that NADA had been targeting top athletes.

If Operation Carousel was not enough to sully the image of the country's anti-doping system, in another disturbing WADA report, India figured among the top three nations for doping among junior athletes. The 10-year study showed India was second after Russia to have the largest number of minors testing positive and getting sanctioned. This is disturbing especially because of the fact that the juniors' overall development, both physical and mental, is at stake. All stakeholders, including NADA, the national sports federations, the Sports Authority of India and other related NGOs must come together to stop this menace.

### QUICK TAKE

#### NO N-CLOUD, PLEASE

**S**UNDAY'S drone strikes on the Russian-controlled Zaporizhzhia nuclear plant in Ukraine is a worry for the world. It's down the Dnieper, on which the Chernobyl plant was located. When the Chernobyl blast happened in 1986, though contamination was concentrated over a 150,000 sq km area in Belarus, Russia and Ukraine, the radioactive fallout was scattered by wind over much of the northern hemisphere. In the dangerous brinkmanship between Russia and Ukraine, one is blaming the other for the strikes. The head of the International Atomic Energy Agency bluntly said, "This cannot happen." Whoever is to blame, all countries should work to avoid another radioactive fallout.

**A**S you read this today, we are in the midst of preparations going around—spearheaded by the Election Commission of India—to host the world's biggest election ever. The Lok Sabha polls begin on April 19 and conclude on June 1. It is a routine that runs for weeks, culminating with the results day on June 4. So now, India is charged with election fever.

As this unduly hot summer of 2024 scorches on, politicians of each and every party are out there in the sun, campaigning their way into the hearts and hearths of the voter. There are helicopters in the air, flags of every party colour out there, and there is the din and noise of the election on television, print and every other media there is to consume.

All of a sudden, the great Indian voter is feeling very special and in control. This is one season where the voter is boss and everyone else is nothing much. This season comes once every five years. One might as well enjoy its fleeting moments.

Coincidentally, as many as 64 countries go to the polls in 2024, but none of their efforts even match what's happening in India. 96.8 crore eligible voters are being wooed in India this election. This is four times larger than the US election (24.4 crore eligible voters). Add 10.5 lakh polling stations, 1.5 crore officials on duty and 1.82 crore first-time voters, and the numbers game is in the face. This is bigger than ever before.

Election fever has many dimensions. At one end, it is a fever that grips every candidate, every political party and every party worker who sweats it out in the field. At another end is the intermediary media. These are the months when television news viewership peaks. There is breaking news literally every half hour. Newspapers are filled with constituency-level analyses put together by pundits of every kind. Controversy is matched by a counter-controversy.

The school of scandal is really in full flow. Bad-mouthing one another seems the norm. Negating the word of one with the word of another is a well-honed science.

Rumour and conspiracy theory are friends and enemies that float in our midst every moment. Each one of us is so used to it that no one is really surprised. While a small set of us discount it all as part of the great election game

Every election is an opportunity to say yes or no. Your vote is a right as well as a duty. By voting, you say, "I belong." Do you?

## THE WEIGHT OF EVERY VOTE IN THIS ELECTION

HARISH BIJOOR

Brand Guru & Founder, Harish Bijoor Consults



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at play, many really swallow the bait. Advertising, event management, PR, propaganda and brand building are the positive forces in full flow. The negative forces of rumour, the planted lie and the planted conspiracy are all tools used by many. Every breaking event is watched keenly at the constituency level by political parties in the fray and fed back to their election war rooms to act and counteract.

Therefore, the overall environment is quite charged. The yen to win is with every candidate and every political party. As of today, the BJP and NDA seems to be totally charged with the "Ab ki baar 400 paar"

sentiment, the INDIA configuration of parties seems to be hoping to reap a tumult that is quiet, indiscernible for now, but decisive.

The battle has clearly demarcated lines of the incumbent Goliath being battled by not one David, but possibly many fragmented ones. The INDIA alliance is hoping for an upset, just as the ruling NDA with the BJP in the forefront is hoping for a decisive victory, and a third-time return of Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the helm of affairs. While the National Democratic Alliance is depending on the stellar performance of PM Modi and his governance (as overt-

## HOLDING LEGAL VALIDITY UP BY A STRONG PIGTAIL

**T**HE story goes that Baron Münchhausen, a fantastical 18th century German nobleman-prevaricator, landed in the midst of a bog while on a trip on horseback to his friend's estate. It is said the baron, even though he was

dulled with fatigue, responded to the emergency by pulling himself and his horse straight out of the bog by his own pigtail. Hans Albert, in his *Treatise on Critical Reason*, coined the term 'Münchhausen trilemma' as a thought experiment to demonstrate that, without appealing to assumptions, it is theoretically impossible to prove any truth or its validity, especially within the realms of logic and mathematics. According to Albert, no knowledge can be definitively proven as any argument or proof presented to support a proposition can be challenged by asking additional questions that raise doubts about each proof.

Ultimately, we find ourselves in a position where each proof necessitates another, or in a logical circularity in which the proof of a proposition relies on the truth of the same proposition or on accepted precepts that are asserted rather than supported. If the trilemma is valid, then no statement, knowledge or truth can be validly proven. Each of the three options, as is evident, frustrates the possibility of establishing any definite foundation, leaving us mired down in uncertainty and, much like the baron, having to pull ourselves out of the bog with our own pigtails.

In law, legal validity is determined by whether or not a law was made in the proper manner by an authorised organ of the state. But what criteria must be met for an organ to be deemed authorised? And what defines a manner as being proper? Without appealing to assumptions, an enquiry into this would inevitably result in an endless chain of justifications. In order to disrupt this chain, we are faced with an unavoidable Münchhausen trilemma.

Countries, by resorting to a variant of one of the three options or a mix of them, not only seek to justify their own authority and their legal systems but also the validity of the laws they make. For instance, the community law of European legal systems traces its roots to ancient Roman laws (colated in Justinian's *Corpus Juris Civilis*) and canon law of the Catholic church. Nevertheless, it is important to note these do not provide an unending sequence of justifications, as the sequence only extends until the time of the Roman republic.

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Many countries have sought to justify the validity of their legal systems on an accepted truth or precept. Countries such as India, Bangladesh and Uganda have justified their systems on the basis of certain foundational principles of their constitutions, they accept as axioms or *grundnorm*, which Hans Kelsen claimed as being the highest-ranking presupposed norm.



WINNIE MEDIA CONCEPTS

Baron Münchhausen, a fantastical 18th century German nobleman-prevaricator, is said to have pulled himself and his horse out of a bog by his own pigtail. The story leads to an interesting thought experiment on what makes a country's laws valid

For example, Indian law is valid because it derives its validity from the Indian Constitution. But as to the question from where a constitution derives its validity, there is no answer, the same as a *grundnorm*. This is, however, not to say our Constitution incorporates an underlying semantic assumption about the nature of legal norms. Rather, the understanding is the Constitution provides certain fundamental rules that cannot be trampled on.

Curiously, in Pakistan, the *grundnorm* is considered to be Islam, meaning the validity of its Constitution is derived from Sharia. The UK and Singapore, on the other hand, partly rely on the Diceyan formulation of parliamentary sovereignty and the Hartian rule of recognition, which is a so-

cial rule that differentiates between those norms that have the authority of law and those that do not. That apart, legal sociologists have sought to contend the validity of law is due to ability to maintain itself, thereby resorting to logical circularity.

The Basic Structure doctrine, developed by our Supreme Court in a series of cases in the 1960s and 1970s, is a legal doctrine that the constitution of a sovereign state has certain characteristics that cannot be erased by its legislature. In the famous *Kesavananda Bharati* case, the SC propounded the doctrine, holding that certain fundamental features of the Constitution—such as democracy, secularism, federalism and the rule of law—could not be amended. Over the years, the court has confined the doctrine to encompass only those standards that are cognates of the *grundnorm*, that is, the Indian Constitution.

In *M Nagaraj vs Union of India*, the court, while refusing to accord principles relating to service law the status of constitutional norm, observed the "source of these concepts is in service jurisprudence. These concepts cannot be elevated to the status of an axiom like secularism and sovereignty". In other words, there's a judicially accepted conception that the Constitution possesses an intrinsic quality providing resistance to change beyond specific boundaries. The doctrine broadly advocates that there exists underlying moral principles that are independent and intended to be represented by the Constitution's text.

Since its introduction, the Basic Structure doctrine has often been criticised as illegitimate. One of the primary criticisms asserts that it lacks justification within the constitutional text. These critics claim the Constitution itself can be changed to suit the times. The judges, according to them, openly adopted a political stance and there is nothing inherent in the Constitution that resists change. However, having been constructed in the context of the broader constitutional mandate, the doctrine has stood the test of time, proving it is stronger than the Baron's pigtail.

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#### Dignified campaigning

Ref: Poll roasting welcome but respect model code red line (Apr 8). It is regrettable that the festival of democracy has many fireworks erupting from the mouths of leaders. It is time for intellectuals to appeal to political leaders to be dignified in campaigning.

Jaya Prakash Reddy, Nalgonda

#### Democratic decency

Poll campaigns of the party in power have to be undertaken only with the objective of highlighting its strengths. The opposition parties should predicate their campaigns on their poll promises, the ruling party's shortcomings, etc. But no party is entitled to an extenuating ground for violating the canons of decency by using intemperate language, polarising tropes and intimidating innuendoes.

S Balu, Madurai

#### Losing battle

Ref: Persistence of the prime minister's detractors (Apr 8). PM Narendra Modi, who seems all set for a third term in office, has a legion of admirers across the country. But he has no dearth of detractors either. They seem to be fighting a losing battle as the PM has shown enough dexterity to deflect all the accusations flung in his direction.

C V Aravind, Chennai

#### Alloof saint

Ref: The value of solitude and concentration (Apr 8). I may add that King Yadu happened to watch a wandering ascetic who never reacted to any situation. The king humbly queried how the saint was so aloof. The ascetic answered to have learnt 24 precious lessons from 24 gurus. A virgin girl was among them whose bangle-clanking taught him that if there is more than one person, there is scope for quarrel.

Hulasa Behera, Bhubaneswar

#### Exaggerated promises

The Congress in its manifesto has made attractive promises, like an annual grant of one lakh to poor women through the Mahalakshmi scheme, minimum prices for farmers and 30 lakh jobs to young Indians. Like all parties, it has not uttered one word on raising resources for these schemes. The electorate should beware of empty promises on either side.

S V Venkatakrishnan, Bengaluru

#### Communal amity

BJP's Kerala *prabhari* Prakash Javadekar's claim that the BJP will win at least five seats in the state in the general election is an exaggerated statement. Kerala is a land well known for its communal amity. The people in the state, by and large, are averse to the divisive politics of the BJP.

Sudhakar Cherukunnu, Kannur



**Jai Ram Ramesh** @Jai Ram\_Ramesh  
It is disgraceful and shameful for BJP to claim that PM has saved Manipur. Hundreds of people have been killed, and displaced.**Akhilesh Yadav** @yadavakhilesh  
The behaviour of BJP workers with the police inspector in Varanasi is height of BJP anarchy. Let's see when the bulldozers will run on the houses of these anti-social elements.**Mallikarjun Kharge** @kharge  
Modi-Shah's political and ideological ancestors supported British and Muslim League against the Indians in the Freedom Struggle.

# 'BJP tactics — Saam, Daam, Dand, Bhed'

Cong severely crippled by I-T dept's action on its accounts, says former U'khand CM and Union minister Harish Rawat

**H**ARISH Rawat is often described as the patriarch of Uttarakhand politics. With six decades of experience in politics as a Congress leader — a block pramukh to chief minister and a Union minister — he knows the political pulse of the state. While it remains to be seen how the Congress will perform in the elections due in the state on April 19, Rawat candidly spoke to **Narendra Sethi** on a range of issues affecting his party and the state. **Excerpts:**

**How do you see a series of defections by Congress leaders in Uttarakhand?**  
BJP is working on three fronts in these elections. One is luring the adversaries by money and position; second is misusing government machinery and the third is pressure tactics. Let me tell you about a very big leader who illegally built a resort on the land of 52 Nali Gram Sabha during the Congress rule. Today his farmhouse is in the 'danger zone', so he was forced to join the BJP.

I received a call from a former state minister that he was offered ₹10 crore. There are individuals and leaders whose businesses are being affected and they are unable to sustain themselves, so they are reluctantly joining the BJP.

**What is driving this significant migration?**  
The enforcement agencies should not be held responsible



alone. The BJP has embraced Chanakya Niti, employing tactics of 'Saam, Daam, Dand, Bhed'. The significant influence and coercive capabilities of these agencies are being blatantly utilized in the electoral process. Democracy appears to be under siege, with a palpable sense of suffocation prevailing. For the first time in Uttarakhand's history, a climate of intense political rivalry is overshadowing the celebration of democracy.

**Why are your star campaigners missing? The BJP has already held rallies of PM Modi and party chief JP Nadda...**

After consulting our colleagues, it has been felt that Rahul Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi, and national president Kharge ji are our most valued campaigners.

The logistics of their visits to various locations remain uncertain, but I am optimistic that these prominent campaigners

will soon be in Uttarakhand.

I can only empathise with some of the Congress leaders who left the party to join the saffron camp. One of them is Dinesh Agarwal. He once held a dominant position in the Dharampur assembly constituency and wielded significant influence. He was the unchallenged leader in that region. It was disheartening to see him

queuing up to the BJP camp and seeking a position for himself.

**Many Congress stalwarts, including Pritam Singh, Yashpal Arya and yourself, chose to remain detached from contesting in these elections. What led to this decision?**

I opted not to contest due to physical discomfort from a recent accident. I suggested my son Virendra as a potential candidate. Regarding other prominent leaders like Yashpal Arya, Karan Mahara, and Pritam Singh, media reports have misconstrued their absence as a personal choice. In reality, it was a strategic decision made at a higher level for them to oversee election coordination across Uttarakhand.

**The Congress has a huge problem of money in the election. What are the obstacles you are facing?**

This is a very big issue; we are struggling badly due to resource crunch. The ruling party is creating pressure on all those industrial houses who supported Congress. The sealed accounts of the party make it difficult to function in the time of elections.

**In the current elections, Kumari Selja, the Congress in-charge of Uttarakhand, is a notable absentee from the campaign programmes. Why?**

Not at all, Selja is completely updated on every issue of Uttarakhand. Yes, it is definitely a matter that she is also contesting her election, so time can be a factor with her. But she is keeping an eye on every aspect of Uttarakhand.

**What major challenges do Congress candidates face in their respective Lok Sabha constituencies in Uttarakhand?**

The BJP is employing various strategies to exert pressure on our candidates in all five Lok Sabha constituencies in Uttarakhand. For instance, the Income Tax Department recently issued a notice to Ganesh Godiyal, a prominent Congress candidate from Pauri, seemingly with the sole intention of causing mental distress. However, I am confident that the discerning citizens of will respond resolutely to these oppressive actions by the ruling party on April 19, ensuring that democracy prevails.

**Do you think the electoral challenge has become very difficult?**

I can only emphasize that the Congress, in its lone battle against the BJP, is doing everything to win. These challenges have collectively created a complex electoral landscape for the Congress, necessitating a focused and strategic approach to surmount the obstacles and secure a positive outcome.



A ten-member TMC delegation comprising Derek O'Brien, Dola Sen, Saket Gokhale, Sagarika Ghose, among others met the ECI bench in New Delhi on Monday | **PM**

## TMC seeks change of agencies' chiefs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

TMC leaders found themselves in a confrontation with the Delhi Police on Monday as they staged a dharna outside the Election Commission's office, demanding a change in the heads of the CBI, NIA, ED, and Income Tax Department.

A 10-member delegation from the Trinamool Congress (TMC) had announced the dharna after a meeting with the full bench of the Election Commission (EC). During the meeting, the delegation urged the commission to ensure a fair playing field in the Lok Sabha polls and to halt the alleged "misuse" of central agencies against opposition parties and leaders. Sagarika Ghose, a TMC Rajya Sabha member who was part of

the delegation, conveyed, "We implored the EC to intervene in the spirit of parliamentary democracy to uphold the integrity of elections. Cease the actions of ED, CBI, NIA, and the I-T Department against the opposition. They are functioning as the BJP's twelfth man."

Ghose made these remarks during the dharna while her party members displayed posters demanding changes in the directors of "NIA DG, ED and CBI".

Among those detained were TMC MPs Derek O'Brien, Mohammed Nadimul Haque, Dola Sen, Saket Gokhale, and Ghose herself, along with MLA Vivek Gupta, former MPs Arpita Ghosh, Santanu Sen, Abir Ranjan Biswas, and Sudip Raha, the vice president of the party's students' wing in West Bengal.

## Two months on, return of 8<sup>th</sup> naval veteran from Doha remains uncertain

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

NEARLY two months after Qatar's Interior Ministry released eight Indian naval veterans, uncertainty shrouds the return of the eighth naval veteran, Commander Purnendu Tiwari, who faces a travel ban.

Seven naval veterans have returned home following the release of the eight on February 12 after being in captivity for over 16 months. "There was optimism that the travel ban imposed on Commander Tiwari would be lifted and he would return home by Eid; however, since holidays have begun, nearly all establishments are closed so any decision would come only after the break gets over," said a source.

There are certain impending formalities for which he needs clearance without which he cannot head back to India, sources said, adding that until Qatar's Interior Ministry lifts the ban, he won't be permitted to return. He is living in his own house in Doha.

India hasn't officially confirmed on when Commander Tiwari would return but the Ministry of External Affairs



had said on February 29 that "the eighth Indian national has certain requirements to fulfil; he will return as and when those are completed."

Commander Tiwari's 85-year-old mother is among those eagerly waiting for her son's return. Continuous requests have been made to the authorities for over a month on behalf of his family. The eight naval veterans were employed for a company, Dhara Consultancies, owned by an Omani Emir. The eight were picked up from their homes on August 30, 2022 in Doha by Qatar's Interior Ministry. Charges framed against them were not made public, however a death penalty was announced for them which was later commuted to jail terms.

## Former Maldives minister says sorry for post

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

FORMER Maldives minister Mariyam Shiuna apologised on Monday after a controversy arose over a social media post she made against the opposition party for using a symbol that resembled the Ashoka Chakra.

"I would like to address a recent social media post of mine that has garnered attention and criticism. I extend my sincerest apologies for any confusion or offence caused by the content of my recent post," Shiuna wrote on X.

"It was brought to my attention that the image used in my response to the Maldivian opposition party MDP bore a resemblance to the Indian flag. I want to make it clear that this was entirely unintentional, and I sincerely regret any misunderstanding it may have caused," she said.

"Maldives deeply values its relationship and the mutual respect we share with India. In the future, I will be more vigilant in verifying the content I share to prevent such oversights," the ex-MP added.

Mariyam Shiuna belongs to the People's National Congress, the party of Maldivian President Mohamed Muizzu.

## PMLA case against C'garh IAS officer, son quashed

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday quashed the money laundering case against former IAS officer Anil Tuteja and his son Yash Tuteja in the alleged ₹2,000 crore liquor scam in Chhattisgarh, saying there were no proceeds of crime.

A two-judge bench of Justices Abhay S Oka and Ujjal Bhuyan quashed the case being probed by the Enforcement Directorate (ED), after noting that since no ex-facie scheduled offence (main offence) exists against the accused, no offence was made out by the probe agency under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA).

It pronounced the order after hearing a batch of writ petitions filed by six accused, including IAS officer Tuteja, his son and some other personnel. Monday's court order has come as a major blow to the ED, which failed to gather evidence against the accused.

"As there is no scheduled offence, there cannot be any proceeds of crime as defined under clause 2(u) of the PMLA. If there is no proceeds of crime, the offence under PMLA is not made out," the bench of the top court said in its order.

The court also made it clear that it was quashing the case,

**ALSO IN TOP COURT**

**Maha reply sought on ex-cop's bail**  
In a relief to former Mumbai Police officer Pradeep Sharma, the Supreme Court on Monday said he need not surrender till further orders to undergo the life sentence awarded to him in a 2006 fake encounter killing case. The apex court also sought a response from the Maharashtra government on his bail plea in the case.

**SC favours release of lifer in terror case**  
The Supreme Court favoured remission to an ailing 96-year-old convict who is serving life term in the 1993 train blast case in Rajasthan and is currently on parole, saying continued incarceration is "like capital punishment". Habib Ahmed Khan had moved the SC seeking permanent parole given his deteriorating health condition and age.

as the complaint and case filed by the ED, was based on an IT act offence, which is not a scheduled offence as per the PMLA. "There is no predicate offence, therefore there cannot be proceeds of crime," the SC said in its order.

In its complaint the probe agency claimed that a person named A Tiwari was the mastermind behind the multi-crore liquor scam. The ED has named around 50 people, including the then excise minister Kawasi Lakhma, former IAS Vivek Dhandh, Congress leader Anwar Dehbar, IAS officer Anil Tuteja, his son Yash Tuteja and others.

The ED has in its complaint,

alleged money laundering in the case in which it has named Anwar Dhebar — brother of Congress leader and Raipur Mayor Aijaz Dhebar; Managing Director of Chhattisgarh State Marketing Corporation Limited (CSMCL) Arunpati Tripathi, liquor businessman Trilok Singh Dhillon, hotelier Nitesh Purohit and Arvind Singh as accused.

The probe agency maintained that the accused persons' pleas for quashing of the case, could not be maintained, in view of the 2022 apex court verdict which upheld the ED's power to search, seize and arrest. Section 50 gives ED the power to summon people.

## Researchers create sensor to gauge disease spread

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

INDIAN researchers have developed a sensor that will aid in tracking disease progression and providing rapid medical support. The sensor targets cytokines, an inflammatory biomarker used for disease diagnosis and understanding disease progression.

This technique, developed by researchers from IIT Jodhpur, is crucial for developing therapeutics for conditions like multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and Alzheimer's, among others. The overall time required for analysis is less than 30 minutes, making it a quick diagnostic tool and a rapid point-of-care technique for patients.

Researchers said that this development aims to reduce mortality rates due to delayed diagnosis and lack of early warnings. "The technology has immense potential to be used as a rapid and point-of-care technique for health monitoring, disease diagnosis, prognosis, and immune response

**SENSING THE DISEASE**

- Indian researchers develop sensor for disease tracking & rapid medical support
- Targets inflammatory biomarker Cytokines
- Developed by researchers from IIT Jodhpur
- Key for therapeutics in multiple sclerosis, diabetes, Alzheimer's

**Potential for rapid point-of-care technique**

- Utilizes Surface Enhanced Raman Spectroscopy
- Detects trace-level molecules with high precision
- Moving towards clinical trials

**Analysis time <30 min**  
All assists in quick data processing

**Promises faster, robust diagnosis for autoimmune diseases and infections**

tracking," researchers added.

Cytokines are among the many biomarkers of inflammation used for diagnosing diseases and tracking their progression. They play crucial roles in tissue damage repair, cancer development and progression, and modulating immune reactions. They are vital for developing precision medicine and targeted therapeutics for vari-

ous conditions such as oncology, infectious, and rheumatological diseases.

Prof. Ajay Agarwal, Department of Electrical Engineering, IIT Jodhpur, said, "This technique has provided encouraging results for three key pro-inflammatory cytokines: interleukin-6 (IL-6), interleukin-1 (IL-1), and TNF-α, released by inflammatory cells."

As of now, the testing is done for controlled samples, but the team aims to take the technology to clinical trials soon. The group is also using it to develop detection protocols for the early-stage and quick diagnosis of sepsis and fungal infections.

This novel sensor uses Surface Enhanced Raman Spectroscopy to detect analytes even at low concentrations. It is based on semiconductor process technology and works on the principle of Surface Enhanced Raman Scattering.

This makes the technique powerful and capable of detecting trace-level molecules with high precision and selectivity. The most widely used techniques currently for cytokine detection are enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) and polymerase chain reaction (PCR). These methods are reliable but highly time-consuming. However, the sensor developed by IIT Jodhpur takes only 30 minutes in comparison and is also cost-effective, the researchers added.

## Supreme Court seeks 'pin-point' response from Google

SUCHITRA MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday asked Google to explain how the pin location-sharing feature works on its Maps application so that it can decide whether asking an accused to share his pin location with the investigators as a pre-condition for granting bail would violate his right to privacy.

"We need to examine if an accused (on the orders of the court) has to provide the investigators with detailed information about their whereabouts, then will it be likely to infringe the individual's right to privacy or not," a two-judge bench of the top court, headed by Justice Abhay S Oka and comprising Justice Ujjal Bhuyan asked.

On the Union government's advice, the Supreme Court had

**DELHI HIGH COURT'S BAIL ORDER**

The Supreme Court was hearing a plea against an order of bail granted to a Nigerian national by the Delhi High Court in a case registered under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act. The order required him to share his location with the investigators while on bail.

on February 23 asked Google India to file a detailed affidavit explaining the technical aspects of pin-location feature on Google Maps. "The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has given an affidavit and has suggested that as far as working of the Google pin is concerned, it's appropriate if the

information is sought from Google India Pvt Ltd," the court said.

However, during Monday's hearing, a counsel for Google India said since the product was developed by US-based Google LLC, it would be the appropriate entity to explain how the pin-location feature works.

The court took notice of the submission and issued a notice to Google LLC.

The top court had earlier remarked that requiring the accused to share their Google pin location with investigators prima facie violates the right to privacy of the accused.

It had also observed that when an accused has been enlarged on bail by courts with the conditions set by them, it might be improper to know and track his or her whereabouts, as it could hamper their right to privacy.







# LATE SET FOR RAFAH GROUND ASSAULT, SAYS NETANYAHU

U.S. says the military invasion would ultimately hurt Israel's security



GAZA TOLL SO FAR  
**33,200**

Israeli soldiers rest on top of their tank on the border with the Gaza Strip, in southern Israel on Monday | AP



**Woman shot dead for stab attempt**

The Israeli army said its forces shot dead a Palestinian woman in the northern West Bank on Monday, after she attempted to stab a soldier at a checkpoint. The army said the incident took place at the Tayasir checkpoint near the northern West Bank town of Tubas. Knife attacks by Palestinian women are rare.



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## PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients Smt. Narayana and others has filed the petition for death certificate of deceased Late Nallappa S/o Late Gangamma Rajesh Gowda. The petition is filed in the Court of the District Judge, Bangalore Rural District. If any of the parties who have objections or claims may dispute regarding the same could and same any other interested persons appear before the 2nd Additional Civil Judge and J.M.F.C. at Devanahalli on date of hearing on 18/04/2024 at 11:00 AM in C.Mis No. 114/2024.

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer  
Civil Judge & J.M.F.C. Court, Devanahalli  
Chikkagowda N, Advocate

## PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the General Public, that my client Smt. D R Annapurna W/o Late H Sanjeev Rao, No. 204, Andrahalli, Vishwanandam, Post, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560 091, states that her husband Late H Sanjeev Rao was the owner of the immovable Southern half portion of the property bearing Site No. 2, old Khatha No. 758, Present Khatha No. 4543, formed out of Assessment No. 69 of Andrahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 20 feet, totally measuring 600 Sq. feet. A General Power of Attorney dated 29.04.1989 was executed by one Smt. C Sathyamma W/o Sri S A Munyappa in favour of one Sri Venkatesh Kumar S/o Sri Narayanaachari, Smt. C Sathyamma had executed the registered sale deed represented by her Power of Attorney before Sri Venkateshachari in favour of K. Ramanna, Smt. K. Ramanna in turn executed the sale deed in favour of Pavan Kumar Smt. Pavan Kumar in turn executed the sale deed in favour of Late H Sanjeev Rao, he died on 07.04.2021. After the death of H. Sanjeev Rao, the khatha and revenue documents are transferred in the name of his wife Smt. D.R. Annapurna. When my client shifting the house on 05.08.2023 at Andrahalli, Bangalore North Taluk, she lost the Original General Power of Attorney dated 29.04.1989 executed by Smt. C. Sathyamma W/o Sri S A Munyappa in favour of Sri Venkateshachari S/o Sri Narayanaachari and this being she lodge a online police complaint on 07.04.2024, in Ref. No. 1006551/2024 Hence, the public in general are hereby informed that if any one finds the said original document of the above stated property they may be returned to my client or to my address, for which I shall be rewarded.

## SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the immovable Southern half portion of the property bearing Site No. 2, old Khatha No. 758, Present Khatha No. 4543, formed out of Assessment No. 69 of Andrahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 20 feet, totally measuring 600 Sq. feet, and bounded on:- East by: Road, West by: Property of Shankarappa, North by: Remaining portion of Site No. 2, South by: Site No. 3.

C.T. VENKATESH, Advocate  
No. 49B, K T Gowda Building Near Cauvery Residency, Magadi Main Road, Sarakdakatti, Bangalore - 560 091, M. 94487 11359  
Place : Bangalore Dated 08.04.2024

## JERUSALEM

ISRAELI Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Monday that a date has been set for a ground offensive in Rafah, which Israel says is one of the last Hamas strongholds in Gaza. Around 1.5 million Gazans are sheltering in the city, which has so far not experienced a large-scale Israeli ground assault.

Netanyahu did not say when the invasion would occur, but reiterated that victory over Hamas militants requires entry into Rafah and the elimination of the terrorist battalions there. It will happen - there is a date," he said in a video statement.

Reacting to the announcement, the United States said it still opposed a major Israeli assault on Rafah.

"We think a full-scale military invasion of Rafah would have an enormously harmful effect on those civilians and that it would ultimately hurt Israel's security," State Department spokesman Matthew Miller told reporters.

"It's not just a question of Israel presenting a plan to us. We have made clear to them that we think that there is a better way to achieve what is a legitimate goal, which is to degrade and dismantle

and defeat the Hamas battalions that still remain in Rafah," Miller said.

Talks in Cairo over a Gaza ceasefire and hostage deal appeared to be gathering momentum. Netanyahu is under pressure at home from his far-right coalition partners who are angry at talk of a truce as well as Israel pulling its troops out of southern Gaza on Sunday.

"Today I received a detailed report on the talks in Cairo," Netanyahu said.

"We are working all the time to achieve our goals, primarily the release of all our hostages and achieving a complete victory over Hamas."

The White House said on Monday that negotiators in the Egyptian capital had presented Hamas with a proposal for a ceasefire in the Gaza Strip and a hostage deal. "Now it's going to be up to Hamas to come through," it said, describing the talks as "serious".

Turkey on Monday said Israel had blocked its attempt to airdrop aid to Gaza, and vowed to take new measures against the country. The Turkish airforce wanted to drop part of a humanitarian aid operation through its cargo planes. "There is no excuse for Israel to block our attempt to airlift aid to starving Gazans," Minister Hakan Fidan said.

**IN THE COURT OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1**  
B.S.N.L. BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR,  
TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAJ BHAVAN  
ROAD, BANGALURU-560 001  
**O.A.NO.185/2023**

BETWEEN:  
HDFC BANK LIMITED., ...APPLICANT AND  
AND  
HSPV POLY PLAST & OTHERS  
... DEFENDANTS

To  
1. HPSV Poly Plast,  
Represented by its Proprietor Mr.Fazeel Ahmed Shariff, No.103, Sri Ravi Aramane, HBSC Layout, 2nd Stage, Gangodhanahalli, Bangalore-560 039  
Also At: HPSV Poly Plast,  
No.14, Sy.No.52, 1st Main Road, Nayandahalli Village, Aziz Sait, Bangalore-560 039  
2.Mrs.Nousheen Banu,  
W/o.Mrs.Nousheen Banu,  
W/o.Mr.Fazeel Ahmed Shariff, Aged About 39 Years, No.103, Sri Ravi Aramane, HBSC Layout, 2nd Stage, Gangodhanahalli, Bangalore-560 039  
3.Mr.Fazeel Ahmed Shariff,  
S/o. Mr.Amal Shariff, Aged About 50 Years, No.103, Sri Ravi Aramane, HBSC Layout, 2nd Stage, Gangodhanahalli, Bangalore-560 039  
SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23(VII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

WHEREAS: the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993, against the above defendants for the recovery of sum of Rs.37,19,372/- (Rupees Thirty Seven Lakhs Nineteen Thousand Three Hundred and Seventy Two Rupees only) amount together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs.

The above mentioned defendants are required to appear before the Tribunal directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly instructed in support of their defence to show cause on 16-05-2024 at 10:30 a.m. as why the relief's prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in case default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this 27th March 2024.  
BY THE ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL REGISTRAR-1  
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1, BANGALORE

**HSR LAYOUT BRANCH**  
Ground Floor, "Avani Arcade", I. 1135, 80 Ft. Road, 17th Cross, Sector-7, HSR Layout, Bangalore-560 102.

**DEMAND NOTICE**

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

We, Canara Bank had issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addressees furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of Addressee at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixing at the addresses given. The contents of the said notice are mentioned herein below.

**Name & Address of the Borrowers/Guarantor/Mortgagor :** M/s. Pebballo Concrete Products, Sy No 10 And 11, Giddanahalli, Village Attibele, Anekal Taluk, Next To Applcom, Bangalore. Represented by its partners and Guarantors : (1) Sridhar R, (2) Ulaganathan R, S/o. Late Ranganatha, (3) Venkatesh R S/o. Late Ranganatha, (4) Vijay Kumar R S/o. Late Ranganatha, All are residing at : No. 2, 4th A Cross, Tank Shore Road, BTM Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, Karnataka-560076. (5) Sri R. Prabhakar, (6) Sri R Chandrashekar S/o. Late Ranganatha, (7) Smt. R. Kousalya D/o. Late Ranganatha, All are Residing at : Yashoranga Nilaya, 4th A Cross, Tank Shore Road, B T M Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore -560076.

| Sl. No. | Loan Number   | Nature of Loan            | Amount            | Date of Sanction |
|---------|---------------|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1       | 2673256000096 | OD/OCC                    | Rs. 50,00,000/-   | 22.03.2019       |
| 2       | 2673746000003 | Working capital Term Loan | Rs. 1,95,29,000/- | 14.11.2019       |
| 3       | 2673766000001 | MSME                      | Rs. 2,42,00,000/- | 24.06.2015       |
| 4       | 2673766000016 | MSME                      | Rs. 76,00,000/-   | 02.04.2019       |

**Total Liability Amount : Rs. 3,80,56,741/-** (Rupees Three Crores Eighty Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand Seven Hundred And Forty One only ) together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

**NPA Date : 15.08.2021 Demand Notice Date : 28.03.2024**

**Description of the Movable Property :** Hypothecation of Stock, Hypothecation of Plant and Machinery, Hypothecation of machinery purchased out of term loan. **Name of the title Holder : M/s. Pebballo Concrete Products.**

**Immovable Property :** 1) MODDT of commercial land and building situated at Old No 324/2, New No. 132, PID No.66-1-132, Hosur Road, Siddhartha Colony, Madivala 1st Stage, BTM Layout, Bengaluru-560068 comprising of Ground, First and second floor constructed on plot area of 1750 sqft with built up area of 4500 sqft, standing in the name of Smt. Yeshoda (W/o. Late Ranganatha, V & mother of the partners). **Legal Heirs : 1. Vijaya Kumar R, 2. Chandra shekar R, 3. Venkatesh R, 4. Kousalya R, 5. Prabhakar R, 6. Sridhar R, 7. Ulaganathan R**

2) MODDT of Industrial Land & Building/Factory, industrial converted land partly lying in survey No.10 (1 Acre 17 guntas) totally measuring 3 acre 13 guntas of Giddanahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural-562107 standing the name of Shri. Vijaya Kumar R (brother of the partners).

You are hereby called upon to pay Canara Bank, within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned herein in above, failing which Canara Bank will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Guarantors. The powers available to Canara Bank under the said Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Guarantors/Mortgagor including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by Canara Bank shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(8) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business) any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section 13(2) of the said Act.

**Date : 08.04.2024 Place : Bangalore Sd/-Authorised Officer Canara Bank**

**AXIS BANK** Plot No. 41, Seshadri Road, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore-560009

**POSSESSION NOTICE**

See Rule - 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Axis Bank Ltd., under The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantor / Mortgagors and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on above mentioned dates.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors in particular and the Public in General are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charges of the Axis Bank Ltd., for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

**1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor :**  
1) Mr. Rajiv Rao S/o Madhan Rao, No.20, Aastha Krishnappa Garden, C V Raman Nagar, Bangalore 560093. Also At: Mr. Rajiv Rao S/o Madhan Rao, Retail Work India Pvt Ltd, # 48, Linden Street, Palm Grove Road, Victory Layout, Bangalore 560047 (Borrower/Mortgagor). 2) Mrs. Sayantani Rao W/o Rajiv Rao, No. 20, Aastha Krishnappa Garden, C V Raman Nagar, Bangalore 560093 (Co Applicant/Guarantor).  
**Loan A/c No : HTR051400750514**

**Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.8,73,105/-** (Rupees Eight Lakhs Seventy Three Thousand One Hundred Five Only) being the amount due as on 14.07.2023 and interest thereon.

**Demand Notice Dated : 14.07.2023 Possession Notice Dated : 06.04.2024**  
**Details of mortgaged property: SCHEDULE :** All that piece and parcel of the Land Site No 23 Old No 20 & 21 HASB Khatha No 381/1D Krishnappa Garden G M Palya, K R Puram 560093 together with all the buildings and structures thereon fixtures, fittings and all plant and Machinery attached to the earth or Permanently fastened to anything attached to the earth both present and future and Bounded as follows: East by: Site No 21 & D N Nagendras Property, West by: Site No 19 & Site No 20, North by: road, South by: BEML Compound & BEML Compound.

**For any clarification please contact Mr. Thirumorthy - 9036773553**

**2. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor :**  
1) Mrs. Divya N, W/o Gopinath, No.1229, 44th Cross, K S Layout, 1st Stage Bangalore 560078. And also At: Mrs. Divya N, W/o Gopinath, No.3657, 11th Cross Kumaraswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore 560078. And also At: Mrs. Divya N, W/o Gopinath, Customer care Executive, Elica Pvt India Pvt Ltd, 3rd Floor Tulsiaram Plaza # 49/1 (Old No 271) 11th Cross, 8B Main Wiltson Garden Bangalore 560027 (Borrower/Mortgagor). 2. Mr. M S Gopinath, S/o Srinivasamurthy, No.1229, 44th Cross, K S Layout, 1st Stage Bangalore 560078. And also At: Mr. M S Gopinath, S/o Srinivasamurthy, No.3657, 11th Cross Kumaraswamy Layout, 2nd Stage Bangalore 560078. And also At: Mr. M S Gopinath, S/o Srinivasamurthy, Manager, Karthik Enterprises, #51/A 15th Cross, Yediyur Nagasandra BSK 2nd Stage Opp Ashwrad Kalyana Mantapa Bangalore-560070 (Co Borrower).  
**Loan A/c No : PHR00904449923**

**Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.24,25,701/-** (Rupees Twenty Four Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Seven Hundred and One only) being the amount due as on 18.10.2022 and interest thereon.

**Demand Notice Dated : 28.10.2022 Possession Notice Dated : 06.04.2024**  
**Description Of Mortgaged Property : SCHEDULE-A PROPERTY:** All the piece and parcel of the property bearing Site bearing No 51 measuring 52\*54/2 ft X 30ft, and Site bearing No 52 measuring 54\*57/2 ft X 30ft in all measuring 3255 sq.ft now having 51/51-52/14-9, comprised in and carved out of land bearing Sy.No.60/1, Jaraganahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk presently, 3rd cross, eshwaranagar in BBMP Ward No 56, Bangalore including all rights appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface thereto and bounded as follows East By: PST Layout, West By: Road, North By: Property No.50, South By: Property No.53.

**SCHEDULE-B PROPERTY:** All the piece and parcel of the property bearing No.D-3, on the 3rd floor of the multi-storied building constructed and erected on site bearing No 51 & 52 comprised in and carved out of land bearing Sy No 60/1 Jaraganahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli Bangalore South Tq now having 51/51-52/14-9, 3rd Cross, Eshwaranagar, in BBMP Ward No 56, Bangalore with details and other attributes given hereunder: East by: Common Passage and Lift thereafter Flat No D-2, West by: Open Space thereafter Road, North by: staircase thereafter Flat No D-1, South by: Private Property.

**For Further clarification please Mr. Sudershan K - +91 962703099.**

**3. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor :**  
1) Mr. Mohammed Asif S/o Umar, # TF 2, Midas Haven Apartments, Near BSR Splendor Park APTS, Nisargal Colony, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore-560043. Also At: Mr. Mohammed Asif S/o Umar, Ice Magic Dairy Foods, Old No.36, New No 56/1, KGHEKEL Industrial Estate, K G Halli, Bangalore-560045 (Borrower/Applicant). 2) Mrs. Nadiya Saher W/o Mohammed Asif, # TF 2, Midas Haven Apartments, Near BSR Splendor Park APTS, Nisargal Colony, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore 560043 (Co Applicant/Guarantor).  
**Loan A/c No : PHR051401284716**

**Total amount mentioned in the notice : amount Rs 78,74,294/-** (Rupees Seventy Eight Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Four Only) being the amount due as on 20.09.2023 and interest thereon.

**Demand Notice Dated : 20.09.2023 Possession Notice Dated : 06.04.2024**  
**Description Of Mortgaged Property : SCHEDULE PROPERTY:** All that piece and parcel of the Property Bearing Flat No GF-001 Ground Floor Silver Oak Site No.21 Vivekananda Nagar Maruthi Sevannagar Bangalore North Taluk 560044, Measuring Super Built Up Area of 1860 sq ft and UDS 586 Sq ft and Bounded as follows East By: Site Bearing No.22, West By: Site Bearing No.20, North By: Site Bearing No.18, South By: Road.

**For any clarification please contact Mr. Thirumorthy 9036773553**  
**Date : 06.04.2024 Place : Bangalore Sd/- Authorised Officer Axis Bank**

**PUBLICATION DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL**  
(Area of Jurisdiction- Part of Uttar Pradesh)  
600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Mandir, Lucknow- 226 007

**DRC No. 76/2023**  
NOTICE UNDER RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH SECTION 29 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBT DUE TO BANKS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT, 1993

**ICICI BANK LTD.**

**VS.**  
**MR. GOPAL CHANDWANI & OTHERS**

**1. Mr. Gopal Chandwani**  
House No. 20/9, Anjaneya Temple Street Opposite Palmgrove Road, Bangalore- 566 047

**Also At:** Flat No. A2-1905, 19th Floor, Gardenia Gateway Plot No.10, Sector 75, Noida- 201 301

**Also At:** 331, Ram Nagar, Krishna Nagar, Delhi- 110 051.

**2. Mr. Raj Mohan**  
548, 1st Floor, Klokikiri Sunlight Colony, Ashram, Delhi- 110 014.

**Also At:** Flat No. A-A2, 1905, 19th Floor, Gardenia Gateway Plot No.10, Sector 75, Noida- 201 301.

**3. M/s. Futec Shelters Private Limited**  
Office R-19, 3rd Floor, Shakarpur, Laxmi Nagar, Vikas Marg, Delhi- 110 092.

**...Defendants**

This is to notify that a sum of Rs. 62,98,002/- (Rupees Sixty Two Lacs Ninety Eight Thousand and Two Only) together with pendente lite and future interest @9.00% per annum with monthly rest from the date of filing. 30-08-2019 original application till full realization is made has come due from you as per the Certificate bearing No. 76/2023 dated 13-06-2022 in Original Application No. 1301/2019 passed against you by the D.R.T., Lucknow.

2. You are hereby directed to pay the sum within 15 days of the receipt of this Notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts Due to Bank and Financial Institution Act, 1993.

3. You are hereby ordered to declare on Affidavit the particulars of asset on or before 20/05/2024.

4. You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned on 20/05/2024 at 10:30 A.M.

5. In addition to the sum aforesaid you will also be liable to pay the following Costs.

**Details of costs:-**  
Application fee Rs. 67,000/-  
Advocate fees Rs.  
Publication charges Rs.

Miscellaneous Expenses Rs.  
Given under my hand and seal at Lucknow this 03rd day of April, 2024

**Recovery Officer II**  
**Debts Recovery Tribunal**  
**Lucknow**

**IN THE COURT OF THE 72nd ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSION JUDGE MAYO HALL, BANGALORE (CCH No. 73) P & SC No. 25014/2024**

**BETWEEN:** Smt. MALA, W/o. Joseph Paul, aged about 52 years, Residing at 12, Near Maheshwaramma Temple, Suddaguntepalya Bangalore-93. And also No. 196, 7th main, S.G. Palya, C.V. Ramanagar, Bangalore-93. and others ... PETITIONER

**AND: NII ... RESPONDENT**

Whereas the petitioner has made a petition to this Honble Court under section 370 and 372 of the Indian Succession Act for the grant of succession certificate in favor of the petitioner in respect of the It is submitted by her that the settlement of HAL, who died intestate on 27-12-2017.

Interested parties are hereby called upon to appear before this Honble Court in person or through their pleader on 31/05/2024 at 11:00 A.M. to show cause against the petitioner, failing which the matter will be proceeded by the court in accordance with law.

**SCHEDULE**  
PF No. KN. 34784/43348, ESI No. 19953267 in the name of late Sofia, death benefits and service benefits of late Sofia. Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 06/04/2024  
By order of the Court, Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayo Hall Unit, Bangalore  
**RAJESH GOWDA, A.C. VENKATESH, M. Advocates**  
No.422, 4th B Cross, O.M.B.R. Layout, Banaswadi, Bangalore-560 043.

**SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY**

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tenders for the following works:

**E-Tender Notice No. 01 UBL 2024-25**  
**Dated: 03-04-2024**

| Name of work                                                        | Approx. Value   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Centralized Annual                                                  | Rs. 8,46,49,200 |
| Recharging of DTH connection - Qty 1620 Nos over Hubballi Division. |                 |

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 02-05-2024**

**E-Tender Notice No. 02 UBL 2024-25**  
**Dated: 03-04-2024**

| Name of work                                                                                                                                                         | Approx. Value    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Signal and                                                                                                                                                           | Rs. 52,63,766.30 |
| Telecommunication works in connection with various Engineering works of Through Turn-out Renewal (TTR, CS+CMS and TWS+CMS) over Hubballi Division. (Total: 207 Sets) |                  |

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 03-05-2024**

**E-Tender Notice No. 03 UBL 2024-25**  
**Dated: 03-04-2024**

| Name of work                                                                                                                      | Approx. Value    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Signalling works in connection with "Proposed improvements to level crossing" in ADEN/West Jurisdiction under PH-29 (FV-2022-23). | Rs. 54,25,879.73 |

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 02-05-2024**

**For details log on to: www.ireps.gov.in**

**Senior Divisional Signal & Telecommunication**  
PUB/13/AD/PB/SW/2024-25 Engineer/Hubballi

**S.W. Western Railway - SWR | SWRLY | SWRLY**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients Sri. Narayana and others has filed the petition for death certificate of deceased Late Gangamma W/o Late Nallappa expired on 10-05-1974 at Gandanahalli Village Vijayapura Hobli Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District if any of the parties who have objections or claims may dispute regarding the same could and same any other interested persons appear before the 2nd Additional Civil Judge and J.M.F.C. at Devanahalli on date of hearing on 18/04/2024 at 11:00 AM in C.Mis No. 113/2024.

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer  
Civil Judge & J.M.F.C. Court, Devanahalli  
Chikkagowda N, Advocate

## PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients Sri. Byamma and others has filed the petition for death certificate of deceased Late. Narayana W/o Late.Narasimhappa expired on 04-05-1996 at Gandanahalli Village Vijayapura Hobli Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. If any of the parties who have objections or claims may dispute regarding the same could and same any other interested persons appear before the 2nd Additional Civil Judge and J.M.F.C. at Devanahalli on date of hearing on 18/04/2024 at 11:00 AM in C.Mis No. 111/2024.

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer  
Civil Judge & J.M.F.C. Court, Devanahalli  
Chikkagowda N, Advocate

**IN THE COURT OF A ADDL SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BANGALORE RURAL DISTRICT AT BANGALORE P & SC No.28/2023**

**Between:**  
1.Smt. Indira W/o Rajagopal Aged about 71 years, Residing at -2C 404 Akme Ennore, Brookfield, Kundalahalli Main Road Opp Prestige Technostar Techpark, Kundalahalli, Doddanekundi, Bengaluru Karnataka-560037. ...Petitioners  
2. Kum J.J. Javni Dargah at late R. Vasudeva & late Janakiraman N. Aged about 2 years. Since minor Rep. by her natural guardian her grand-mother, Petitioner No.1  
Respondent at -2C 404 Akme Ennore, Brookfield, Kundalahalli Main Road Opp Prestige Technostar Techpark, Kundalahalli, Doddanekundi, Bengaluru Karnataka-56003



FormatC-7

Information regarding individuals with pending criminal cases, who have been selected as candidates, along with the reasons for such selection, as also as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates

(As per the Commission's directions issued in pursuance of the Order dated 13.02.2020 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in contempt petition(C) no. 2192 of 2018 in WP (C) no. 536 of 2011)

Name of Political Party : BHARATIYA JANATA PARTY

\*Name of the Election : LOKASABHA ELECTIONS 2024

Name of State/UT:

1. Name of the Constituency No. : 19, Tumkur Parliamentary Constituency

Name of the Candidate : V. SOMANNA

Sl No.

1.

Criminal antecedents

a

Nature o the offences

Offence under P/U/S 13(1) (b)(d) & E R/W Section 13(2) of P.C. Act (Prevention of corruption Act Karnataka Lokayuktha)

b

Case no.

PCR No. 31/2013

c

Name of the Court

Hon'ble XC Additional city civil & session judge Bangalore City

d

Whether charges have been Framed or not(Yes/No)

NO

e

Date of conviction, if any

Not Applicable

f

Details of punishment undergone, if any

Not Applicable

g

Any other information Required to be given

Not Applicable

2.

The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls

(not more than100 words)

The selected candidate is a very senior sincere and dedicated party worker who has already been on various important positions selected member

3.

Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)

As a senior party worker, he had an edge over other individuals considering the fact that whatever charges are alleged in the complaint has no substance and are purely with a vindictive approach and personal vendetta being waged by his political enemies. The case is long pending and party believes that there will be no adverse out come against the alleged accused.

2. Name of the Constituency No. : 27-Chickaballapura Parliamentary Constituency

Name of the candidate : DR. K. SUDHAKAR

#

1.

Criminal antecedents

a

Nature o the offences

Section 499, 500, 501 read with section 34 of IPC Defamation

b

Case no.

PCR No. 220/2020

c

Name of the Court

Hon'ble JMFC Chickaballapur

d

Whether charges have been Framed or not(Yes/No)

NO

e

Date of conviction, if any

NOT APPLICABLE

f

Details of punishment undergone, if any

NOT APPLICABLE

g

Any other information Required to be given

NOT APPLICABLE

2.

The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls

(not more than100words)

The selected candidate is a very senior sincere and dedicated party worker who has already been on various important positions a selected member

3.

Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)

As a senior party worker, he had an edge over other individuals considering the fact that what ever charges are alleged in the complaint has no substance and are purely with a vindictive approach and personal vendetta being waged by his political enemies. The case is long pending and party believes that there will be no adverse out come against the alleged accused.

3. Name of the Constituency No. : 17-Dakshina Kannada Parliamentary Constituency

Name of the candidate : CAPT. BRIJESH CHOWTA

Sl No.

1.

Criminal antecedents

a

Nature o the offences

Section- 127 of RP Act

b

Case no.

Crime No 199/2018

c

Name of the Court

Prl Civil Judge And JMFC Nanjangudu

d

Whether charges have been Framed or not(Yes/No)

No

e

Date of conviction, if any

Not Applicable

f

Details of punishment undergone, if any

Not Applicable

g

Any other information Required to be given

Not Applicable

The reasons for the selection of the candidate.Selectionshall be withreference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls

(not more than 100 words)

The selected candidate is a very dynamic and dedicated party worker and the case is a politically motivated one

2.

Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates

(not more than 100 words)

The selected candidate is a very dynamic and dedicated party worker and the case is a politically motivated one The case is long pending and party believes that there will be no adverse out come against the Alleged accused.

4. Name of the Constituency : PC- 24, Bangalore North Parliamentary Constituency

Name of the candidate : KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE

Sl. No.

1

Criminal antecedents

a

Nature o the offences

1. Section 45(1) Prevention of Money Laundering Act  
2. 499 and 500 of IPC

b

Case no.

1. Spl CC No 124/2014  
2. CC No. 37243/2021

c

Name of the Court

1. SPECIAL COURT OF MP AND MLA AT CIITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE CCH (82)  
2. 42<sup>nd</sup> additional chief metropolitan magistrate at Bangalore

d

Whether charges have been Framed or not(Yes/No)

1. Yes  
2. No

e

Date of conviction, if any

NOT APPLICABLE

f

Details of punishment undergone, if any

NOT APPLICABLE

g

Any other information Required to be given

NOT APPLICABLE

2.

The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls

(not more than 100 words)

The selected candidate is a senior leader, popular leader very dynamic and dedicated party worker and the case is a politically motivated one

3.

Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates

(not more than 100 words)

The selected candidate is a senior leader, popular leader very dynamic and dedicated party worker and the case is a politically motivated one The case is long pending and party believes that there will be no adverse out come against the alleged accused.

5. Name of the Constituency No. : 26- Bangalore South Parliamentary Constituency

Name of the candidate : TEJASWI SURYA

Sl No.

1

Criminal antecedents

a

Nature o the offences

143, 147, 149, 186, 188, 332 353 of IPC

b

Case no.

Crime No 12/2022

c

Name of the Court

Rouse avenue Court complex New Delhi

d

Whether charges have been Framed or not(Yes/No)

No

e

Date of conviction, if any

NOT APPLICABLE

f

Details of punishment undergone, if any

NOT APPLICABLE

g

Any other information Required to be given

NOT APPLICABLE

2

The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls

(not more than 100 words)

The selected candidate is a senior popular leader very dynamic and dedicated party worker and the case is a politically motivated one

3

Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates

(not more than 100 words)

The selected candidate is a popular leader very dynamic and dedicated party worker and the case is a politically motivated one The case is long pending and party believes that there will be no adverse outcome against the Alleged accused.

6. Name of the Constituency No. : 25- Bangalore Central Parliamentary Constituency

Name of the candidate : P. C. MOHAN

Sl No.

1

Criminal antecedents

a

Nature o the offences

1. 143, 149, 188, 283, 290 and 268 of IPC  
2. 171G, 177,181, 191, 193, 199 and 200 of IPC

b

Case no.

1. Crime No. 50/2024 at Halasuru Gate Police Station,  
  
2. PCR No. 46/2019 (No FIR has been filed) Re-numbered as PCR No. 19837/2021

c

Name of the Court

1. 6<sup>h</sup> Addl. CMM Court Bengaluru City  
2. City Civil & Sessions judge, CCH-82 Bengaluru (Special Court)  
Presently case transferred to XLII Addl. CMM Bengaluru.

d

Whether charges have been Framed or not(Yes/No)

No

e

Date of conviction, if any

Not Applicable



**IN THE COURT OF THE XV ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE**  
**O.S. No. 8584/2011 (CCH-3)**

**BETWEEN:** 1. Sri S.M.Narayan Sa, S/o late S.M. Muniswamy sa, 65 years, 2. Smt. Parvathi Bai, W/o Sri S.M. Narayan Sa, 58 years, 3. Smt. S.N. Vijaya, D/o Sri S.M.Narayan Sa, W/o Sri G.P. Badarinarth, 50 years, All are R/a No.84, 2nd Main Road, 8th Cross, Chamarajpet, BANGALORE-560 018. ...**PLAINTIFFS**

**AND:** Sri Vinod Kumar Hiremath and others ...**DEFENDANTS**

**NOTICE/SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS No.1 To 3**

1. Sri Vinod kumar Hiremath, S/o Sri Mahantiah Hiremath, 33 years, R/a No.20, 8th Cross, 1 Main Road, Chamarajpet, BANGALORE-560 018, 2. Sri Vinayakanna C. Hiremath, S/o Sri Channiah Hiremath, 53 years, R/a No.335/E, Type III Rail Wheel Factory, West colony, Yelahanka New Town BANGALORE-560 106, 3. Sri. Mahantiah Hiremath, Father's Name not Known to the plaintiff, Major, R/a No.20, 8th Cross, 1 Main Road, Chamarajpet, BANGALORE-560 018

WHEREAS Sri. S.M. Narayan Sa, Smt. Parvathi Bai and Sri. S.N. Vijaya, the Plaintiffs above named has instituted a suit against you and others for declaration and consequential relief of permanent injunction, in respect of suit schedule properties.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this court on **24/4/2024 at 11-00 AM** in person or through advocate/pleader to answer the questions to the same. Failing which the suit will be heard and determined as ex-parte.

**SCHEDULE - 'A'**

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.21 & 22, PID No.46-9-21 & 46-9-22 situated at 8th Cross, Chamarajpet, Bangalore together with all the appurtenances thereon measuring East to West: 60 x 50 x 13 x 10' and North to South: 26 x 36 and bounded on the: **East by:** 8th Cross, **West by:** Property of Sri Cheluvaiah, **North by:** Property of B.H. Narayana Murthy, **South by:** Property of Vinod Hiremath & Consequency Road

**SCHEDULE - 'B'**

Southern portion of the property bearing No.22 situated at 8th Cross- Chamarajpet, having PID No.46-9-22, Bangalore measuring East to West: 10 and North to South: 13' which is a vacant place and bounded on the: **East by:** Property of the defendants, **West by:** Property of Sri Singri Gowda, **North by:** Portion of suit schedule 'A' property, **South by:** Conservancy lane.

**SCHEDULE - 'C'**

Property bearing No.20 situated at 8th Cross, 1 Main, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-18 measuring East to West: 50 and North to South: 13' and bounded on the: **East by:** 8th Cross Road, **West by:** Suit schedule 'B' property, **North by:** Portion of suit schedule 'A' property, **South by:** Conservancy Road

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, on this 06-04-2024

By Order of the Court, Senior Shreistadar, City Civil Court, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff:  
**G.S. VENKAT SUBBA RAO**  
No.4, Janak Residency, No.2, Kumara Krupa Road, Bangalore- 560 001.

**FORM NO. 5**  
**DRTELKO**  
**DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL**  
**600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Temple, Lucknow- 226 007**  
**(Area of Jurisdiction- Part of Uttar Pradesh)**  
**SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY & APPEARANCE BY PUBLICATION**  
**O.A. No. 1062/2022**  
**[Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993)]**  
**O.A. No. 1062/2022**  
**ICICI Bank Ltd. ...Applicant Versus**  
**Mrs. Gargi Gogoi & Others ...Defendants**

**To, Defendants:**  
1) Mrs. Gargi Gogoi, W/o Mr. Pranjal Kr Adhikary, Resident of Flat No. 201, Pearl Paradise No. 57 & 58, 15th Main 17G Cross Rose Garden, JP Nagar 5th Phase, Bangalore- 560 078.

**ALSO**  
Flat No. 0502, 5th Floor Ecovillage GH- 06 Sector-16B, 201303 (U.P.) Greater Noida- 2) Mr. Pranjal Kr Adhikary, S/o Biren Kumar Adhikary, Resident of Flat No. 201, Pearl Paradise No. 57 & 58, 15th Main 17G Cross Rose Garden, JP Nagar 5th Phase, Bangalore- 560 078.

**ALSO**  
Flat No. 0502, 5th Floor Ecovillage GH-06 Sector-16B, Greater Noida- 201 303 (U.P.)

In the above noted application, you are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 11/07/2024 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.

**Registrar**  
**Debts Recovery Tribunal**  
**Lucknow**

**POSSESSION NOTICE**

**DCB BANK**

Whereas the Undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the DCB Bank Ltd., under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement ) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice under section 13(2) of the said Act, 2002, calling upon the borrowers / co- borrowers as mentioned in column no. 3 to repay the amount mentioned in the said Demand Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers and co- borrowers having failed to repay the amount as mentioned in column no. 6, notice is hereby given to them and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possessions of the property as described herein below in column no. 4 in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with the Rule 8 of the said Rules,

| Sr. No | LOAN ACCOUNT                     | BORROWERS/ CO-BORROWERS                                        | DESCRIPTION OF SECURED ASSETS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE | AMOUNT DEMANDED                     | DATE OF POSSESSION |
|--------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1      | DRBLBLR00460370 /DRBLBLR00515092 | Mr.D N Nagesh<br>Mrs.PRAMEELA D N                              | All that piece and parcel of the property bearing house List No. 38, Khata No. 56/2 Situated At Chunchaghatta Village UttarhalliHobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring East To West 40 Feet And North to South 40 Feet in all measuring 1600 Sq. feet and bounded on:East By : Private Property West By : Property No.39 North By:Property No.47,South By:Road.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 08-01-2024            | Rs: 1,03,21,827/-<br>Rs: 8,68,597/- | 06-04-2024         |
| 2      | DRHLBLR00457671                  | Mr Mukunda T<br>Mrs. ANITHA B                                  | Northern Portion & Southern Portion All the piece and parcel of property bearing Northern Portion Site No.11 Measuring East to West 7 Ft. and North to South 19 Ft. , in all measuring 133 Sq.Ft Southern Portion of Site No.11. Formed in out of Property No. 473,474,475, and 476 khata No.71, Present Khata No.4815 , measuring East To West 32 Ft and North To South 21 Ft, in all measuring 672 Sq.feet, total two portion of measurement 805 Sq.Ft situated at kalkere Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, erstwhile Bangalore South Taluk now Bangalore East Taluk comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP Bangalore. Along with the schedule property consisting of 650 Sq.foot East By Property Belongs to Mr.Nagaraj West By : Property Belongs to R.Krishnappa House North By :15 Feet Road South By: Property belongs to Mr.K.Krishnappa Northern Portion All the piece and parcel of property bearing Northern Portion Site No.11 Formed in out of the property no.473,474 and 476 House list Khata No.71, Present Khata No.1107, measuring East to West 25 Ft, And North To South 19 Ft, all in measuring 475 sq.ft, situated at kalkere village , KrishnarajapuraHobli, erstwhile Bangalore South Taluk, now Bangalore East Taluk. comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP Bangalore, along with the schedule property consisting of 650 Sq.Ft RCC House Roofted House and Bounded on:-East By : 7 Feet Common Passage West By : Property belongs to R.Krishnappa House North By : 15 Feet Road South By: Remaining portion of same site no.11, belongs to Late K M Komalamma's Children's | 08-12-2023            | Rs: 31,95,638/-                     | 06-04-2024         |
| 3      | DRHLBLR00442148                  | Mr Thimmaraju T<br>Mrs. PRAMILA N                              | All that piece and parcel of the property bearing southern portion of site no.02, Khata no.680, Assessment No.52/3A, situated at Karibohannahalli Village, YeshwanthpurHobli, Bangalore North Taluk. Presently within limits of BBMP ward No.40 measuring East to West. 30 Feet and North to South 20Ft in all measuring 600 Sqft and Bounded on: East By Private Property,West By: Road North By: Remaining Northern Portion of same property no.02 South By: Site No.03.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 06-01-2024            | Rs: 36,21,195/-                     | 06-04-2024         |
| 4      | DRHLE00498032                    | Mr Vasanthkiran V<br>Mrs. UMMA SALMA                           | All that piece and parcel of property bearing southern portion of property no.132, Door No.2256 situated at 11th cross, Vinobhanagar in Kacharkanahalli Village, KasabaHobli Bangalore North Taluk , Bangalore new assigned as S.No.132, 11th Cross Vinobhanagar, BBMP Ward No.30 of Kadugondanahalli Bangalore and Bounded as :East By : A K Colony West By : Road North By : Remaining Portion of Same Property South By : Private Property                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 08-01-2024            | Rs: 25,48,195/-                     | 06-04-2024         |
| 5      | DRHLBLR00472710                  | Mr Ramesha K S<br>Mrs. RATHNAMMA S                             | All that piece and parcel of the western Portion of Property bearing No.31, Gramadakhata No. 24/4 SI.No.225, Khata No. 662, Measuring East to West 15 Ft and North to South 40 Ft in all measuring 600 Sq.Ft situated at Channenhalli Village, TavarekereHobli , Bangalore South Taluk , and bounded on:-East By: Remaining Same Property West By : Private Property North By : Property No.20 South By: 25 Feet Road                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 11-01-2024            | Rs: 21,99,330/-                     | 06-04-2024         |
| 6      | DRHLBLR00427907                  | Mr Manikanta V.<br>Mr. Praneshkanta V.<br>Mrs. MAHADEVJAMMA Vs | All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Apartment bearing No. G-001 situated on the Ground Floor along with the super built up area of 400 Sq.Feet and undivided share of 120 Sqft for constructed on the property bearing HASB Khata No.844/306, Khata No.12 measuring East to West on Northern side 31 Ft on the southern side 27 Feet North to South 60Ft along with the private common passage on eastern side measuring East to West 3ft and North tp South 60 feet in all measuring 1920 Sq.ft situated at K.R.Garden , MurugeshapalyaVarthuHobli, Bangalore East Taluk, earlier Bangalore South Taluk presently within the limits BBMP and Bounded on:East By : Property of Vijaya Chandra West By : Lakshminarayanaswamy Property and Road North By : Property of Siddaraju South By: Property of Sathyaendranath                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 08-01-2024            | Rs: 12,65,301/-                     | 06-04-2024         |

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid property and any dealing with the said property will be subject to the charge of the DCB Bank Ltd. for the amount mentioned therein and further interest and cost thereon.

Date:09-04-2024  
Place:Bangalore

Sd/-Authorized Officer,  
DCB Bank Limited

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**Canara Bank**

**SALE NOTICE**

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of , KRISHNARAJA PURAM Branch Bangalore of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" without any recourse on **29.04.2024**, for recovery of **Rs 70,18,561/-** (Rupees Seventy Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty One Only) due to the , Krishnarajapuram Branch of Canara Bank from **1. P. Kumari W/o. Ramachandra G. P.**, residing at No. 72, 1st Main Road, 1st Cross, Kh R Colony, JJR Nagar, Mysore Road, Bangalore - 560 018, **2. Ramachandra G.P.** Residing at No. 102, Old 4 3 1st Main , 1st Cross, Near Masque Goripalya Circle, JJR Nagar, Chamarajpet, Bangalore - 560 018. The reserve price is mentioned here below and the earnest money deposit (EMD) is 10% of Reserve Price of the property.

| Reserve Price         | Earnest Money Deposit |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Rs.42.13 Lakhs</b> | <b>Rs.4.22 Lakhs</b>  |

The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **26.04.2024 up to 4.00 pm.**

**Details and full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any :** All that piece and parcel of property comprising one apartment unit i.e., Flat bearing No. 106, totally measuring a super built-up area of 1089 sq.ft. situated inthe First Floor in "E" block along with one covered car parking space in the basement/surface/ still floor (which is also inclusive of balconies and a proportionate share in the common areas) and schedule A property which is the corresponding undivided share in respect to schedule- C apartment unit, situated at Apartment building known as GARDENIA RESIDENCY Kanchanayakanahalli, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk and bounded on: East by : Residential Apartment Privately numbered as Be-105 in the first floor of E tower in B Block, West by : Area open to sky of the apartment building, North by : Common corridor, South by : Area open to sky of the apartment building.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website ([www.canarabank.com](http://www.canarabank.com)) or may contact Chief Manager, Krishnarajapuram, Canara bank , Ph. No. 9449860020 during office hours on any working day.

E-auction arranged by the service provider M/s Canbank Computer Service Ltd. through the website [www.indianbankseaauction.com](http://www.indianbankseaauction.com). Email [eauction@ccsl.co.in](mailto:eauction@ccsl.co.in)

Place: K. R. Puram  
Date: 08.04.2024

Sd/-  
Authorised Officer  
Canara Bank

**IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, MAYO HALL, AT BANGALORE**  
**EX. CASE No. 25051 OF 2009**

**BETWEEN :** Sri. K. Kantharaj  
**AND : Sri. K. Kosairam & Others**

**...Decree Holder**  
**...Judgement Debtors**

**PUBLIC AUCTION – SALE NOTICE**

Pursuant to orders dated 10.03.2020, 12.04.2021, 20.11.2021, 18.01.2023 and 19.03.2024 passed in Ex. No. 25051 of 2009 by the Hon'ble City Civil and Sessions Judge, Mayo Hall, at Bangalore (CCH-21), spot sale will be held on 24.04.2024 at 11.00am in the Schedule Property in respect of the below mentioned Schedule Property and court sale on **29.05.2024 at 11a.m.**, Any intending purchasers may participate in the public auction sale, on the scheduled date and time.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

**All that piece and parcel of land and building on the premises bearing No.1, Muthanna Garden, Viveknagar, Bengaluru, measuring East to west 43 feet and North to South 43 feet, bounded on:** East by :Babu Butlers Land, West by : No.3, Muthanna Garden (New No. 21), North by :Road, South by :Nala

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR AUCTION OF THE PROPERTY**

The property mentioned in the Schedule shall be auctioned in public on the following terms and conditions:

1. The floor price/base price shall be Rs. 6300/- per square feet. 2. The sale of the property shall be on AS IS WHERE IS BASIS. 3. The auction shall be conducted on the date fixed, at the place where the property is located on the date and time scheduled, as decided by the Court Commissioner, as per the directions of the Hon'ble Court. 4. The bidders shall participate in the auction and the highest bidder shall be declared to be the successful bidder. 5. Decision of the Court Commissioner regarding declaration of successful bidder shall be final and binding on all the bidders. 6. Immediately on being declared to be the successful bidder, the successful bidder shall deposit 5% of the successful bid amount by way of account transfer into the bank account that would be indicated or a DD shall be provided favouring "The Registrar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru". 7. The successful bidder shall deposit 20% of the sale price after adjusting the earnest money within 24 hours in the bank account that would be indicated, after the acceptance by the Court Commissioner. 8. In case the successful bidder fails to deposit the earnest money deposit within 24 hours, the next highest bidder would be called upon to deposit the amount of 20% of his bid amount and stake claim to purchase the property. 9. The bid once submitted by the bidder, cannot be cancelled/withdrawn and the bidder shall be bound to buy the Property at the final bid price. The failure on the part of the bidder to comply with any of the terms and conditions of auction mentioned herein will result in forfeiture of the amount paid by the defaulting bidder. 10. The Earnest Money of the successful bidder shall be retained towards part sale consideration. 11. In case the successful bidder fails to deposit the amount within 24 hours, the amount deposited towards earnest money shall be forfeited. 12. In case for any reason if the successful bidder fails to deposit the 20% of the successful bid amount, the amount in deposit may be declared as successful bidder would be forfeited. 13. The balance amount of 80% shall be paid within 30 days of the date of auction. 14. In case the successful bidder fails to deposit the balance amount of the bid, within the stipulated time, the amount in deposit would be forfeited and the next successful bidder would be called upon to deposit bid amount bid by him for the purpose of purchase of the property. 15. The successful bidder shall bear all the necessary expenses like applicable stamp duties / additional stamp duty transfer charges, Registration expenses, fees etc. for transfer of the Property in his/her name. 16. The payment of all statutory / non-statutory dues, taxes, rates, assessments, charges, fees etc., owing to anybody shall be the sole responsibility of successful bidder only. 17. In case any dispute arises as to the validity of the (s), amount of bid, Earnest Money or as to the eligibility of the bidder, authority of the person representing the bidder, the interpretation and decision of the Court Commissioner shall be final. 18. The execution of the sale certificate shall be in accordance with the direction of the Hon'ble Civil Court in Mayo Hall, Bengaluru Ex.No. 25051/2009.

Yours faithfully,  
**S. Vivekananda, Court Commissioner**  
Advocate, Bangalore No. 3, Jayamahall Palace Hotel, No.1, Jayamahall Road, Bangalore – 560 046. Cell: 9845428653

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**NOTICE TO THE BORROWERS INFORMING ABOUT SALE (30 DAYS NOTICE)**  
**RULE 6 (2)(8) (6) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002**

**ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH, BANGALORE**  
**# 2/3, Raja Building, N.R. Road, Bangalore-560002. E-mail:ubin0555991@unionbankofindia.bank**

Whereas the below mentioned Borrower/s have defaulted to pay the amount due to Bank in spite of demand made by me/Bank through Demand Notice U/s 13(2) date as per below, the designated Authorized Officer in exercise of the power conferred under the above Act, took possession of the below mentioned properties on (below mentioned Dates) Even after taking possession of the property, Borrowers have not paid the amount due to Union Bank. As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property above the reserve price (which will be informed later) by e-auction after 30 days from the date of this notice. The date and time of auction and the details of the provider Shall be informed through a Sale Notice which shall be issued separately and the property would be sold to the person who offers highest price.

The property may be sold by Private Sale or obtaining quotations from the persons, subject to property to terms and conditions acceptable to both the Borrower and Bank is borrower have any such proposal of selling the property to any person by private sale or by getting quotation, the same may be communicated to the designated Authorized officer the Branch within 30 days from date of receipt of this letter/notice, failing which it will be construed that Borrowers have no such proposal and Bank will proceed further with sale of property by inviting tenders by public auction/e-auction by Private Treaty as indicated above, Further, please take notice that if the Borrowers pay the amount due as specified in the said Demand Notice with subsequent interest thereon along with costs and expenses incurred by the bank till date before the date of publication notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment of sale of secured assets, no further shall be taken for sale of the property mentioned in the schedule. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of the time available to redeem the secured asset.

| Sl. No. | Name and Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Date of Demand Notice (DDN) & Date of Possession (DPN) | Notice Date | DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| 1.      | 1) M/s Krishna Stone Impex Pvt Ltd, Rep by its Directors Mr. Arun Kumar & Mr. R E Gopal O/o Plot No.81, 1st Phase, Jigani Industrial Area, Jigani, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560105, 2) Mr. Arun Kumar Ellur S/o R E Gopal, 3) Mr. R E Gopal S/o Hanumanthappa, Both are residing at : 221, Kubera Krupa Privision Store, Raghavachari Road, Opposite Radhika Talkies, Bellary, Karnataka-583101. | (DDN) : 01.09.2022<br>(DPN) : 05.01.2023               | 07.03.2024  | Property No.1 : All that piece and parcel of commercial building in the name of Mr. R E Gopal, bearing Door No.221, T S No.29/2, Corporation Assessment No.17711, CTS Ward No.11 CMC Ward No.11, Corporation Ward No.10, situated at Bengaluru Road, Ballari comprising Ground, First, Second and Third Floor, within the Sub-Registration district and registration district on Ballari, plinth area of the building measuring 236 Sq Ft and each floor measuring 192Sq Ft. The property is bounded as follows : East : Property of Vitta Bheemaiah, West: Bengaluru Road, North: Property of Ramakrishnaiah Shetty, South: Property of Ramlal Seth |
| 2.      | 1) Mr. Manjunath M, 2) Mrs. Roopa C Both are residing at : Suraksha Landmark, Flat No.B-012, Ground Floor, Sy.No.80/3, BBMP Khatha No.1384/80/3, Arakere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore-550076.                                                                                                                                                                                                | (DDN) : 21.11.2022<br>(DPN) : 22.05.2023               | 29.02.2024  | All that piece and parcel of land and residential flat bearing No.B-012, Survey No.80/3, "Suraksha Landmark" Ground Floor, Khatha Number 1384/80/3 with a super built up area of 1400Sq.Ft situated atArakere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore 560076 owned by Mr. Manjunath and Mrs. Roopa C bounded on : East by : Land bearing Sy No 78, West by : Land bearing No.81, North by : Land bearing Survey No.80/2, South by : Road.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 3.      | 1) M/s.Navaratna Engineering Works, Proprietor, Shri Ratna Kumar. C. G, 2) Chetan.C. R S/o Ratna Kumar. C. G, Both are residing at : Vidyanagar, 1st Cross, Opp.SKF, Bommasandra INDL Area, Bangalore – 560099.                                                                                                                                                                                 | (DDN) : 20.08.2022<br>(DPN) : 29.11.2022               | 28.02.2024  | All that piece and parcel of the residential building with ground, first, second and third floor constructed on plot area of 1200 Sq.Ft located in Survey No.53/2, House list No.605/205, in 1st Cross, Vidyanagar, Bommasandra, Attibele (Hobli), Anekal Taluk, Bangalore – 560099, Owned by Mr.R.Ratna Kumar C.G., bounded by : East : Site No.206, West : Site No.204, North : 25 Feet Road, South : Private Property                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

Date : 08.04.2024  
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer  
Union Bank of India

**HDFC BANK**

Regd. Office: HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai - 400013  
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**E- AUCTION SALE NOTICE (Sale through e-bidding only)**

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.**

The Authorised Officer of HDFC Bank Limited (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with HDFC Bank Limited by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) (HDFC) issues E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) indicated in Column (A) that the below described immovable property(ies) described in Column (C) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive / physical possession of which has been taken as described in column (D) by the Authorised Officer of HDFC Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" as per the details mentioned below:

Notice is hereby given to Borrower / Mortgagor(s) / legal heirs, legal representatives (whether known or unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), successor(s) and assign(s) of the respective Borrower(s) / Mortgagor(s) (since deceased), as the case may be, indicated in Column (A) under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Secured Creditor's website i.e. [www.hdfcbank.com](http://www.hdfcbank.com)

| Sl No | (A)<br>Name/s of Borrower(s)/ Mortgagor(s)/ Guarantor(s)/                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | (B)<br>Outstanding dues to be recovered (Secured Debt) (Rs.)                                                                           | (C)<br>Description of the Immovable Property / Secured Asset (1 Sq. mtr. is equivalent to 10.76 Sq.ft)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | (D)<br>Type of Possession | (E&F)<br>Reserve Price (Rs.) ----- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs)                                                              | (G)<br>Date of Auction and Time        |
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| 1     | <b>Mrs. Meenakshi</b> Mother of Mr. Ganesh Vaidyanathan (Borrower) [since deceased], Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s), Successors and Assigns of Mr. Ganesh Vaidyanathan<br><br><b>Ms. Sahana Ganesh Aliyas Hana</b> Ganesh Daughter of Mr. Ganesh Vaidyanathan (Borrower) [since deceased], Represented by Natural Guardian Mrs. Bharathi Sundaram Chandrashekar Kunj, Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s), Successors and Assigns of Mr. Ganesh Vaidyanathan<br><br><b>Master Sparsh Ganesh</b> Son of Mr. Ganesh Vaidyanathan (Borrower) [since deceased], Represented by Natural Guardian Mrs. Bharathi Sundaram Chandrashekar Kunj, Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s), Successors and Assigns of Mr. Ganesh Vaidyanathan<br><br><b>And other known and unknown Legal Heir(s) of Mr. Ganesh Vaidyanathan (Borrower)</b> [since deceased] Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s), Successors and Assigns of Mr. Ganesh Vaidyanathan | Loan A/c No. 621463939 Rs.88,24,161/- (Rupees Eighty Eight Lakhs Twenty Four Thousand One Hundred and Sixty One Only) as on 31.05.2023 | <b>Schedule "A" Property :</b> All that converted land bearing Mahadevapura City Municipal Katha No.108, measuring 3,53,925 Sq.ft., (Survey No. 16, measuring 5 Acres 6 Guntas and Survey No. 45 measuring 2 Acres 39 Guntas, Total 8 Acres 5 Guntas), situated Chinnapanahalli Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and Bounded as follows: <b>East by :</b> By Millennium Habitat Apartments and the common Road, <b>West by :</b> By remaining portion of Survey No.16, <b>North by :</b> By remaining portion of Survey No.16, <b>South by:</b> By 40 feet Road.<br><b>Schedule "B" Property : Item -1:</b> 705 Sq.ft., undivided share, right, title and interest in schedule "A" property.<br><b>Item -II :</b> A Three Bed Rooms Flat bearing No. 311, in the Third Floor of "F" Block in the Building known as "HABITAT SPLENDOUR" constructed on the property described in schedule "A" hereto with a built up area of 1261 Sq.ft. with right to the use common of 489 Sq.ft., BBMP Katha No.108/373-F-311-F311/1. Flooring Vitrified tiles.<br><b>Schedule "C" Property : Item -1:</b> 235 Sq.ft., undivided share, right, title and interest in schedule "A" property.<br><b>Item -II :</b> A single Bed Room Pent House bearing No.311/1, in the Terrace Floor of "F" Block with right to exclusive use of terrace area of 1050 sq.ft in the Building known as "HABITAT SPLENDOUR" constructed on the property described in Schedule "A" hereto with a built up area of 463 sq.ft. of with right to the use common area of 92 sq.ft., with right to use a cellar car parking space one Number bearing BBMP Katha No.108/373-F-311-F311/1. Flooring Vitrified tiles. | Physical Possession       | Rs.1,55,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Fifty Five Lakhs Only)<br><br>Rs.15,50,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only) | 16.05.2024<br><br>12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM |

1. Inspection Date & Time: 02.05.2024 and 09.05.2024 between 11.AM TO 4.PM.  
2. Minimum bid increment amount: Rs. 35,000/-  
3. EMD Amount Submission on or before : 14.05.2024 (Before 5.00 PM)  
\*together with further interest @ 18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred up to the date of payment and /or realisation thereof.  
For any assistance related to inspection of the property, or for obtaining the Bid document and for any other queries, please get in touch with Mr.Yogesh N./Shridhar Chinnai official of HDFC Bank Limited through Tel.No.080-41182283, 080-41182126 / 9449808072 / 7795853045  
To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer of HDFC Bank Ltd, there are no encumbrances in respect of the above immovable properties / Secured Assets.

Date: 09.04.2024  
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer of HDFC Bank Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002

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| f                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Details of punishment undergone, if any                                                                                                                                                                             | Not Applicable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| g                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Any other information Required to be given                                                                                                                                                                          | Not Applicable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls (not more than 100 words) | The selected candidate is a senior popular leader very dynamic and dedicated party worker and the case is a politically motivated one                                                                                                         |
| 3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)                                                                                      | The selected candidate is a popular leader very dynamic and dedicated party worker and the case is a politically motivated one The case is long pending and party believes that there will be no adverse outcome against the Alleged accused. |
| <p>* In the case of election to Council of States or States or election to Legislative Council by MLAs, mention the election concerned in place of name of Constituency.</p> <div><p><b>Lokesh Ambekallu</b><br/>(State Office Secretary)<br/><b>Bharatiya Janata Party - Karnataka</b></p></div> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |



# Tata to take over Pegatron iPhone mfg unit in Chennai

Taiwanese company will provide technical support to Tata Electronics

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AFTER taking over the iPhone assembly plant of Wistron in 2023, Tata Group is all set to take control of another iPhone manufacturing facility owned by Pegatron in the country.

Tata is reportedly planning to hold at least a 65% stake in a joint venture that will operate the Pegatron plant near Chennai. The report, citing two sources, mentioned that a Taiwanese firm, Pegatron, will provide technical support. Tata, one of the largest conglomerates in India, will operate the joint venture through its Tata Electronics unit. The deal is said to get the backing of Apple Inc. The talks between Tata and Pegatron for the factory are expected to close in six months and will see all Pegatron India employees move to the joint venture entity.

In India, iPhone is manufactured by three contract manufacturers: Foxconn, Pegatron Corp, and Tata Group (earlier Wistron Corp). Currently, the Pegatron India factory has nearly 10,000 employees and makes 5 million iPhones annually. It is the last such facility operated by the firm after it forfeited control of an iPhone plant in China last year to rival Luxshare in a \$290 million deal.

Last year, Tata Group had acquired Taiwan's Wistron plant in Karnataka, and the company is also building another plant in Hosur in Tamil Nadu. The



Tata likely to hold 65% stake in joint venture

Tata is reportedly planning to hold at least a 65% stake in a joint venture that will operate the Pegatron plant near Chennai. Tata, one of the largest conglomerates in India, will operate the joint venture through its Tata Electronics unit

report noted that Tata has been building another iPhone factory at its Chennai campus, and the Tata deal talks include taking over that facility as well.

The American tech giant is trying to diversify its production from China to India due to geopolitical tensions between Beijing and Washington. Last year, Commerce minister Piyush Goyal said Apple will start 25% of total iPhone production in India by 2023. Meanwhile, Apple's market share in India grew from 4.6% in 2022 to 6.4% in 2023, a 38.6% increase. Tata has partnered with Apple to launch 100 retail stores for its products across the country.

Tata Group, which is also setting up two semiconductor plants in the country, is reportedly

looking to rope in top talent from Taiwan. Taiwan currently produces over 50% of the world's semiconductors and chips. Tata Electronics will conduct a roadshow in Taiwan on April 13. The two semiconductor plants are coming from Gujarat's Dholera and Jagir Road of Assam.

Tata Electronics invited Taiwanese professionals with 5 to 16 years of experience in various semiconductor manufacturing roles. It said candidates must be willing to relocate to India and will undergo 18 months of initial training in Taiwan.

Tata's fab facility will produce mostly 28 nanometre (nm) chips, apart from 50 nm, 55 nm and 90 nm ones.

# Gold hits all-time high; crosses ₹71K mark

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

GOLD prices hit a record-high level on Monday, touching ₹71,080 for 10 grams in India. The spot gold was at \$2,343.89 per ounce amid weakening dollar, speculative buying and geopolitical tensions in the Middle East.

"Factors like the weakening dollar, accumulation of gold by central banks, elections in the US, geopolitical tensions in the Middle East and Russia-Ukraine crisis are driving this surge," said Jigar Trivedi, senior

analyst with Reliance Securities. According to him, the gold prices may reach ₹76,000 per 10 gram by December this year.

"The uncertainty surrounding the Federal Reserve is making gold more appealing. This makes holding gold cheaper compared to other investments," Trivedi added.

The experts say gold prices will keep going up but may see correction soon. According to Ajay Kedia, director, Kedia Ad-

visory, the gold prices may touch ₹73,000 per 10 gram around Diwali festival this year and silver may touch ₹95,000 per one kg. "In last 40 days, market has rallied very sharply. Technically, market is in overbought zone and traders are not ready to take long position at current level for gold," Kedia stated.

"We see some corrective pullback in gold prices from current levels keeping intact long-term bullishness. A pullback of \$50/\$60 can't be ruled

out, which means ₹68,000 on the domestic market," added Kedia. As per him, silver seems a better investment with industrial consumption increasing. "If someone has missed the gold rally, then silver is still looking attractive," he further said.

Experts say gold acts as a hedge against inflation and helps diversify portfolios, providing stability when other assets underperform. They say it's essential for investors to evaluate their portfolios and allocate a portion to gold, typically around 10% or less.



# Tata Group-owned Air India to develop B'luru as aviation hub for South India

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TATA GROUP-run Air India has selected Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) to develop Bengaluru as an aviation hub for southern India. Air India said on Monday that they (along with other Tata Group airlines - AIX and Vistara) and BIAL will collaborate to enhance international connectivity, operational efficiency, and passenger experience over the next five years.

The partnership, as per a statement by Air India, includes strengthening the group's presence at Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru (KIAB or BLR airport) through an enhanced network and establishing a dedicated domestic lounge for premium and frequent travellers of Tata Group airlines Air India and Vistara.

Air India has also signed a



Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Government of Karnataka to establish comprehensive Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) facilities at BLR airport. This partnership will stimulate the MRO ecosystem and is projected to generate over 1,200 new job opportunities for highly skilled individuals in the state, the statement noted.

Air India's plan to make the IT city an aviation hub comes as it has set up an ambitious target to achieve 30% market share in the next few years. As

per DGCA data, Air India and Air India Express had a combined share of little less than 20% in the international air traffic (to and from India) during the October-December period. IndiGo had a share of 18.2% and Vistara held 3.6% of the international market.

"Airline-airport synergy is key to elevated customer experience and efficient operations, while Bengaluru is highly attractive as an origin and destination market as well as a connecting hub," said Campbell Wilson, CEO & MD, Air India.

# Deepak Mehrotra new MD, CEO of Byju's arm Aakash

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

EDTECH firm Byju's tuition chain Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL) has appointed Deepak Mehrotra as its Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO). This comes at a pivotal moment for AESL and the edtech firm as well.

Prior to joining AESL, he was the Managing Director at Ashirvad pipes. He has also worked at Pearson India, Bharti Airtel, Coca-Cola, and Asian Paints. Though there was speculation earlier that the promoter of the coaching firm Aakash Chaudhry will return, but the edtech company had dropped plans and announced the new CEO appointment on Monday.

Byju's acquired Aakash for \$950 million in April 2021 and in November last year Ranjan Pai, Manipal Education and

Medical Group Chairman, invested Rs 1,400 crore in AESL to clear the edtech firm's debt to investment management firm Davidson Kempner. Pai owns about 40% in Aakash.

The appointment of Deepak Mehrotra is part of AESL's vision to enhance its offerings and expand its reach, Byju's said in a statement. Mehrotra emphasised the importance of leveraging technology and modern teaching methodologies to enhance the learning experience for students across the country.

Byju Raveendran, founder & Chairman of Byju's, said, "As we enter the next phase of growth, it's our pleasure to welcome Deepak to lead AESL. In his role as CEO, he will be responsible to deliver on our aggressive growth plan and to build on the significant momentum the company is currently experiencing."

# M-cap tops ₹400L cr, adds ₹100L cr in 9 months

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DESPITE last month's warning by market regulator Sebi that a "froth" is building up in Indian equities, the market capitalisation (m-cap) of BSE-listed companies crossed the ₹400 lakh crore mark for the first time on Monday. This valuation milestone was accompanied by a sharp rally in benchmark indices as the BSE Sensex traded in close vicinity of the 75,000 mark, while the NSE Nifty50 surpassed the 22,600 level.

Domestic market, now equivalent to 1.33 times the size of the country's GDP, continues to defy global slowdown and add more trillions to its kitty at a record pace. It took only 9 months, the shortest interval ever, for the combined m-cap to add last ₹100 lakh crore as the valuation of BSE-listed companies had breached the ₹300-lakh-crore mark in July 2023.

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lakh crore to ₹200 lakh crore. BSE's combined m-cap hit ₹100 lakh crore for the first time in

March 2014, right before the general election when Narendra Modi became Prime Minister for the first time. Experts believe there is still some steam left in the market as favourable election results, normal monsoon and expected rate cuts by the Federal Reserve may prompt another round of fresh buying in the coming months. The long-term growth opportunity, however, remains intact.

The market on Monday touched fresh peak as the NSE Nifty50 ended 147.25 points, or 0.65%, higher at 22,669.95 while the BSE Sensex rose 494.28 points, or 0.67%, to close at 74,742.5. Intraday, Nifty50 hit an all-time high of 22,697.30, and Sensex touched a new life-high

of 74,869.30. The m-cap of BSE-listed firms also reached an all-time high of ₹4,01,16,018.89 crore (\$4.81 trln) during the session. "The buoyancy in sentiment continued, led by sectorial tailwinds and Q4 earnings growth expectation... On the global front, after the release of robust US job data, investors are awaiting release of US CPI data, ECB policy, and UK GDP data this week," said Vinod Nair, head of research, Geojit Financial Services.

As per Nair, the up-move was largely broad-based, with out-performance by auto, realty, oil & gas, and consumer discretionary, while IT was tepid owing to insipid Q4 growth expectations due to a slowdown in spending.

## Mkt defies global slowdown, adds more trillion

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## EXPRESS READ

### YouTube tool to disclose synthetic content

NEW DELHI: As the general elections in India is around the corner, Google's video platform YouTube on Monday announced a new tool aimed at assisting video creators in disclosing whether their content has been altered or synthesised. Synthetic content on YouTube refers to videos that have been created or modified using AI and other editing tools to appear authentic. It shared that, for most videos, a label will appear in the expanded description, while for videos addressing more sensitive topics. ENS

### Dheeraj Bhatnagar new technical member of SAT

NEW DELHI: The Ministry of Finance has appointed retired Indian Revenue Services (IRS) officer Dheeraj Bhatnagar as a Technical Member of the Securities Appellate Tribunal. Bhatnagar had previously served as the Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax in Delhi. This appointment is valid for four years or until he turns sixty-seven, whichever happens first, according to the notification issued by the financial markets division of economic affairs department of finance ministry. ENS

# 'Thierry found it difficult to win the hearts of a traditional Indian IT firm'

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

WHEN Thierry Delaporte was announced the CEO and MD of Wipro in July 2020, Rishad Premji, Chairman, Wipro, had said he would be the right person to lead the company in the next phase of growth. Delaporte had said "I look forward to building a better tomorrow for all its stakeholders."

Since 2020, the value of the company's stock and market capitalisation grew by 2.5X. But the Frenchman could not complete his five-year tenure and as Peter Bendor-Samuel, CEO of Everest Group, a research firm, puts it, "As a European it was difficult to win the hearts and minds of a traditional Indian IT services firm and this undoubtedly also contributed to flagging morale."

Delaporte undertook a significant transformation of Wipro, he invested in consulting, reorganised, and upgraded the talent. His goal was to reorient Wipro from a firm mostly focused on providing services that reduced cost of IT and tech services to one which fo-



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Thierry Delaporte, ex-CEO and MD of Wipro

cused on both costs take out and on creating value from technology and tech services. "This transformation was broad-based as well as internally painful and was complicated by the fact that it was undertaken during the pandemic. The advent of generative AI along with the post Covid and tech pull back has occurred whilst Wipro was in the middle of this transformation and has

contributed to the poor performance relative to rest of the industry that Wipro has experienced," he told TNIE.

Delaporte's significant achievements in bringing new capabilities, and streamlining the organisation are balanced by slower growth, and below industry profit than other industry peer companies and continued execution issues with deteriorating morale. He is clearly leaving Wipro better positioned and with the start of a strong foundation. However, he will be disappointed not to have finished the transformation and got Wipro back to its old position as an industry leader; the CEO of Everest Group said.

In his mail, Delaporte said that he was proud of what they have achieved over the last four years, growing revenues by 35%. "We've generated 25% more profit in the last four years than in the previous 4-year period," he told employees. Also, he made 12 acquisitions. The company is promoting its internal talent, and analysts say new CEO Srinivas Pallia is a good bet.

# Non-banks' co-lending book nearing ₹1 lakh cr mark

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

DESPITE the continuing decline in the share of personal loans, the co-lending assets of non-banks is on a song and is nearing the ₹1 lakh crore (₹1-trillion-mark), five years after the model gained popular currency, and the segment will notch up 35-40% annualised growth rate over the next few years, says a report.

The growth optimism is based on rising interests of non-banking financial company (NBFCs) as well as commercial banks in the co-lending model that began a little over five years ago, and is likely to grow 35-40% over the medium term and go past ₹1 trillion mark, the report says without disclosing what is the current AUM size. The partners in the ecosystem are likely to focus less on personal loans given higher risk weights and increase their focus on other asset classes such as loans to MSMEs and home loans.

# Jio retains 40% mkt share in mobile connectivity

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

WITHIN eight years of its launch, Reliance Jio captured a 40% share in cellphone connectivity segment of the Indian telecom market in February 2024.

The company, which started its telecom services in September 2016 with a meager 1.52% market share, outpaced its competitors significantly. State-owned Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has just a 7.7% market share in the month. In February 2024, Jio added a significant 3.5 million customers, bringing its total subscribers to 467.58 million, while Airtel added 1.5 million, increasing its total subscribers to 384.01 million.

However, the loss-making telco Vodafone Idea continues to experience a decline in subscribers, losing over 1 million subscribers and bringing its total subscribers to 220.50 million.

Since its launch, Jio has grown its market share in the wireless segment. Their market share steadily rose from 9.58% in April 2017 to 27.08% by April 2019. It reached 33.85% in April 2020 and peaked at 36.15% in April 2021. While there was a slight dip to 35.50% in April 2022, they bounced back to 37.90% by April 2023, culminating in their current dominance. Jio also secured the top spot in wireline subscribers. As of February 29, 2024, the telco holds a 35.14% market share, followed by Bharti Airtel with 25.89% and BSNL with 19.61%.

In terms of ARPU (average revenue per user), Airtel leads the industry with ₹208, against Jio's ₹182 and Vodafone Idea's ₹145.



## Sees growth in user base

Jio, which started its telecom services in September 2016 with a meager 1.52% market share, outpaced its competitors significantly. Airtel comes second in terms of subscriber base. Vodafone Idea market share falls sharply

## VIL loses subscribers

Loss-making telecom service provider Vodafone Idea continues to experience a decline in subscribers, losing over 1 million subscribers and bringing its total subscribers to 220.50 million





India's top singles player Sumit Nagal shocked world number 38 Matteo Arnaldi in a gruelling three-set contest to earn his maiden main draw win at an ATP Masters event in Monte Carlo on Monday. The top Indian singles player, who entered the ATP Masters 1000 event via qualifying route, posted a memorable 5-7, 6-2, 6-4 win in the first round.

Jadeja, Deshpande take three wickets apiece before Gaikwad's timely half-century as hosts pull off dominating win

# Ball dance: CSK bowlers turn on the heat

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @ Chennai

RAVINDRA Jadeja and Tushar Deshpande's three-wicket hauls came in handy for Chennai Super Kings as they restricted Kolkata Knight Riders to 137 for nine in the first innings at the MA Chidambaram stadium here on Monday night. Captain Ruturaj Gaikwad then sealed their third victory in front of the home crowd with a half-century.

Chasing 138 for another win Chennai managed the same without much fuss in the 18th over. Although Ravindra could not get many runs, he laid foundation for the batters to come, Daryl Mitchell, promoted at three, combined with Gaikwad to keep the scoreboard ticking. Mitchell was harsh on Narine, scoring boundaries off the West Indian at will. However, the duo found it hard to score runs against local boy Varun Chakravarthy. Chakravarthy was quicker through the air and bowled tidy lines not giving the width for the batsmen to play the shots. Gaikwad played a captain's role from the other end and scored a half-century off 45 balls. A sudden rush of blood



CSK's Tushar Deshpande (centre) celebrates with teammates | PRAVIKUMAR

prompted Mitchell to step out to play an ambitious shot, but he missed the line only to be castled by Narine. Shivam Dube took Chennai close to the target and then Gaikwad sealed the win with a boundary.

Earlier, put into bat KKR had a disastrous start losing Philip Salt the very first ball of the match to Tushar Deshpande.

Mustafizur Rahman, who was sharing the new ball, was a bit rusty and Angkrish Raghuvanshi took advantage of it to get a boundary. Deshpande's joy of taking a wicket off the first ball

of the game was shortlived. In his second over, Sunil Narine carted the Mumbai pacer all over the park for three boundaries and a six.

Thereafter, the left-right pair of Narine and Raghuvanshi slowly built a partnership.

Ruturaj kept shuffling his bowlers to break this partnership but the pair kept piling runs and added 56 runs in the powerplay. That is when Gaikwad brought Jadeja, his most experienced spinner, in and he answered by striking twice in an over. First, he trapped Ragu-

## SRH FACE KINGS TEST

Hyderabad, the great entertainers of this campaign so far, travel to Punjab, who have already shown their fighting qualities. A look...

### Curran vs Abhishek

Abhishek Sharma's rapid starts and daring powerplay strokeplay has given Hyderabad another dimension this year. Sam Curran, who has opened the bowling on multiple occasions, will look for some early seam movement into the right-hander to stop the threat.

### Rabada vs Klassen

Two players who are fairly familiar with each other could well come face-to-face in the back-end of the innings. The wicket-keeper has been explosive boundary-hitting form but Rabada has taken six wickets in his four games. The winner of this contest will put their team in pole position.



Punjab Kings vs Sunrisers Hyderabad, Mullanpur

Live on Star Sports and JioCinema, 7:30 PM

vanshi who went for a reverse sweep and missed it completely. Later in the same over, Jadeja foxed Narine into playing a false shot to Theekshana at long off. Suddenly CSK were back in the game with KKR at 60 for three. Now a lot depended upon skipper Shreyas Iyer and the remaining batters to have a go at the CSK attack and post a challenging total.

Jadeja put his experience to effective use and varied his

lines. This came in handy as he also pocketed the wicket of Venkatesh Iyer.

Rachin Ravindra, too, gave a good account of himself by bowling tidy lines and not giving the width to both Shreyas and Ramandeep. Theekshana, too, joined the party and accounted for the wicket of Ramandeep.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Brief scores: KKR 137/9 in 20 ovs (Shreyas 34; Jadeja 3/18, Deshpande 3/33) lost to CSK 141/3 in 17.4 ovs (Gaikwad 67 n.o.).

## Gukesh holds Caruana; Vidit and Humpy lose

AGENCIES @ Toronto

D GUKESH did well to hold Fabiano Caruana to a draw but Vidit Gujrathi suffered another defeat at the hands of Ian Nepomniachtchi in the fourth round of the Candidates chess tournament here.

On a day when R Praggnanandhaa played out an uneventful draw with Hikaru Nakamura of the United States, Nijat Abasov of Azerbaijan fought hard to split the point with Alireza Firouzja of France to stay in contention in the eight-player double round-robin event that decides the challenger for the next Worlds. Nepomniachtchi became the first sole leader on three points, following his second victory with white pieces. He is now followed by Caruana and Gukesh on 2.5 points apiece. Praggnanandhaa is not far behind on two points holding the fourth spot.

In the women's section, R Vaishali made sure her streak matches with that of younger sibling Praggnanandhaa and played out a draw with rating favourite Aleksandra Goryachkina. But Koneru Humpy succumbed to her first defeat at the hands of Nurgul Salimova. Zhongyi Tan maintained her sole lead on three points following a draw with Kateryna Lagno while Tingjie Lei of China signed peace with Anna Muzychuk of Ukraine. Gukesh faced the in-vogue Italian opening as black against Caruana and the players battled it out in



R Praggnanandhaa in action during the fourth round on Sunday | PRAVIKUMAR

### RESULTS

Results round 4 (Indians unless specified): Ian Nepomniachtchi (Fide, 3) beat Vidit Gujrathi (1.5); Hikaru Nakamura (USA, 1.5) drew with R Praggnanandhaa (2); Fabiano Caruana (USA, 2.5) drew with D Gukesh (2.5); Nijat Abasov (AZE, 1.5) drew with Alireza Firouzja (Fra, 1.5). Women: Aleksandra Goryachkina (Fide, 2.5) drew with R Vaishali (2); Nurgul Salimova (Bul, 2) beat Koneru Humpy (1.5); Kateryna Lagno (Fide, 2) drew with Zhongyi Tan (Chn, 3); Anna Muzychuk (Ukr, 1.5) drew with Tingjie Lei (Chn, 1.5).

the main variation. Gukesh was under some pressure in the middle game but came up with a fine pawn sacrifice leading to trade of many pieces.

The ensuing endgame still gave Caruana some optical chances but the Indian remained on his guard for 72 moves to ensure the draw.

Gujrathi had won his second-round game using the Berlin defense against Nakamura so his choice of opening was quite predictable against Nepomniachtchi.

## Slow and steady: Jadeja turns back clock to put up spellbinding effort

GOMESH S @ Chennai

WHEN both Ruturaj Gaikwad and Shreyas Iyer admitted that they wanted to bowl first — the former won the toss — at the MA Chidambaram Stadium on Monday, they knew what to expect. For starters, the contest was being played on the same surface where Royal Challengers Bengaluru played. The heat and humidity meant there was going to be a significant amount of dew, with the conditions becoming easier to bat later.

For the home team, however, the stakes were high. They had lost two games on the road, and the batters' intent was questioned. They were back at their fortress with a sea of yellow cheering them on, but the task was not going to be easy.

KKR have one of the best batting line-ups (in terms of intent) and CSK's bowling was not exactly firing. And without Mathiesha Pathirana, they had the task cut out. One can only imagine what went on Tushar Deshpande's mind when Phil Salt slashed at the length delivery — the very first ball of the match — that was there to be hit. For a moment, everyone thought this was going to be yet another match where Salt and Sunil Narine would end the contest in the powerplay. But then, a hand intervened as the ball was on its way to the ropes. Ravindra Jadeja, at backward point, made a slight jump to grab it with both hands as the entire stadium erupted. It was a dream start.



R Jadeja (L) was the standout bowler with figures of 3/18 for CSK | PRAVIKUMAR

Little did anyone know then it was a sign of Chennai's match MVP.

Over the next 5.5 overs, Narine and Angrish Raghuvanshi nullified the effect of the first-ball wicket as KKR finished the powerplay with 56/1. Narine, in particular, was looking dangerous while Raghuvanshi was taking on spinners. It seemed like CSK needed another intervention and Ruturaj Gaikwad turned to Jadeja. His first ball was a length delivery which pitched on middle-and-leg before hitting the pads of Raghuvanshi who was looking for a reverse sweep. The umpire's finger immediately went up.

Four balls later, he drifted one outside off-stump and Narine sliced it up only to be caught by Maheesh Theekshana. The danger man was back in the pavilion as KKR lost two wickets in an over. CSK was back in the game as Jadeja had played his

second act. Over the next seven overs, with Maheesh Theekshana and Rachin Ravindra for company, Jadeja tightened the screws. Between overs 6-13, they hit just two boundaries and 25 runs. By the time Jadeja was done, he had also dismissed Venkatesh Iyer, finishing with 3/18 in his four overs.

It was no surprise that Jadeja nailed his role to perfection at Chepauk. He has always been capable of that. What stood out with the spell was that he was up against Indian batters, including Shreyas, who can hit spin at will. That the KKR batter could only manage a run-a-ball ten against Jadeja summed up how efficient Jadeja was with the ball. "There was slow turn, after pitching on the surface, the ball wasn't coming at all and it comes difficult," the CSK all-rounder said after the first innings.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

### Arsenal vs Bayern Munich

The last three times the North Londoners faced the Bavarians, it finished 5-1 for the Germans. However, this new Arsenal side is made of very stern stuff, especially at the back. They do not concede a lot of chances and have put an onus on maintaining control. For the Bundesliga outfit, Harry Kane, who enjoyed a very productive scoring rate against Arsenal during his Spurs days, will be key, especially because they don't concede a huge volume of chances. In terms of battles, Jamal Musiala and Declan Rice could have a huge bearing in which way the match progresses.

2 Arsenal have only advanced to the semifinal stage twice before (last came in 2009).

## MOUTH-WATERING CLASHES

The Champions League returns with two bumper first legs in the quarterfinal phase on Tuesday. A look...



The important thing is to be at our best, the mental aspect is very important. In terms of courage and personality, we've had time to prepare for the game, we've prepared very well, and I am confident that we will give our best and we've got the quality to compete. — Carlo Ancelotti, Real Madrid coach

### Real Madrid vs Manchester City

At the semifinal stage last year, Manchester City streaked ahead, winning 4-0 at home. Expect a much tighter affair. City, holders who are in with a shout of an unprecedented double treble, will again believe they have it in them. But Real have grown as a team. Sitting comfortably atop La Liga, they can also afford to concentrate their efforts in securing the win here. Man City are battling some injury concerns but most of the usual suspects — Kevin De Bruyne, Erling Haaland and Rodri and John Stones — should start. The absence of Kyle Walker will be a blow as Vini Jr. could be a handful. Another battle will be the midfield tussle between Rodri and Jude Bellingham.

3 This is the third year in a row that both these sides have faced each other in the knockout stages.



Man City's Erling Haaland (L) talks to club manager Pep Guardiola during a training session in Manchester on Monday | AFP

12:30 AM on Wednesday • Sony Sports Network

## Odisha out of race for League Shield

ENS/AGENCIES @ Mumbai

MUMBAI CITY FC edged Odisha FC 2-1 in the Indian Super League at the Mumbai Football Arena (MFA) on Monday. Jorge Pereyra Diaz (22') and Lallianzuala Chhangte (61') scored for Mumbai.

With 47 points in 21 games, the Islanders are a step closer to

defending their title this season, and can only be beaten to that by the second-placed Mohun Bagan Super Giant (MBSG), who have accumulated 42 points from 20 matches so far.

Meanwhile, Odisha FC are stuck at 39 points from 21 encounters, and will be aiming for a top-two finish that can guarantee them a semifinal place

when they take on NorthEast United FC on April 13 for their final league game of the campaign. For the Islanders, the entire equation boils down to their last league match, which is incidentally against the Mariners on April 15. Additionally, FC Goa (39 points) are also out of the race for the League Shield after Mumbai victory.

## IOA chief Usha feels 'sidelined' by rebel EC members

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

The attrition within the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) is taking another intriguing turn. IOA president PT Usha's letter to the Executive Committee indicates that there is a breakdown of trust between members in the Executive Committee (EC) that also includes herself.

On Monday, Usha responded to some of the EC members who had signed and pasted a notice asking 'unauthorised persons' not to enter the IOA Bhawan. In a letter to the EC, she called it arbitrary and reminded the rebel members that they have bigger responsibilities than this. She also said that the IOA office staff should take directives from her office. "It is directed to the IOA staff to remove any copies of the notice posted within the IOA Bhawan. Further, the IOA staff is instructed to follow guidance and directives from my office via my executive assistant," said the letter.

The IOA president felt slighted by the nine EC members who had signed the document and felt that they were trying to sideline her. She also defended her executive assistant Ajay Narang's appointment and said the EC does not have the authority to terminate him. Majority of the EC members had claimed that they had removed Narang from the post. She also said that only she can remove her executive assistant.

"It is disheartening to see that we are still not able to work as a team and each of your acts is an attempt to sideline me," Usha wrote to the rebel EC members. What seems interesting is that senior vice president (VP) takes charge as president during her absence or unavailability. Ajay Patel, who is the senior VP, apparently is in the forefront in the rebellion. The letter also points out that the senior VP or the vice president can discharge duties of the president only in his or her absence. "I am left with no option but to remind you all that the day-to-day administrative functions including hiring and firing of staff is not the job of the Executive Council. As the EC, we should be using our powers and rights for much more important aspects of taking the IOA to heights."

"The termination documents are an absolute nullity. The appointment of the executive assistant to the president is not within the jurisdiction of the Executive Council and thus the termination is non est and bad in law." The CEO (Raghuram Iyer), who the EC claimed they were coerced to appoint, and Narang have been working and discharging their duties.

### EXPRESS READ

#### Shelton clinches US Clay Court title

MIAMI: Ben Shelton defeated 2023 champion Frances Tiafoe in three sets to clinch the ATP US Clay Court Championship in Houston on Sunday. The 21-year-old Shelton triumphed 7-5, 4-6, 6-3 in the all-American final to become the youngest winner at the tournament since 19-year-old Andy Roddick in 2002. The title is the second of Shelton's career and his first on clay — the left-hander had arrived at Houston with a 2-7 record on clay in ATP events.

#### HI core probables for upcoming Pro League

BENGALURU: Seasoned campaigners like goalkeeper Savita Punia and forward Vandana Katariya were on Monday included in Hockey India's 33-strong list of core probables with some new faces also finding their way into the pruned group that will train here till May 16 for the FIH Pro League fixtures, which begins on May 22.

#### EPL: Everton docked two more points

LONDON: Everton have been given an additional two-point deduction for a breach of the Premier League's profitability and sustainability rules (PSR), it was announced. The decision followed a previous six-point PSR penalty imposed on Everton and left the Merseyside club just two points above the relegation zone with seven games left to play this season.

#### BAC: Sindhu & Co seek fruitful campaign

NINGBO (CHINA): Indian shuttlers, including PV Sindhu, will face a tough test against some of the world's best when they begin their medal hunt at the Badminton Asia Championships which will start with the qualifiers here on Tuesday. In the absence of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty, the onus on the singles stars to put their hands up during the continental individual championships. The fact that it is the last major event to award Olympic qualification ranking points adds another layer to the competition.

## 2026 CWG venue may be revealed next month

AP @ London

THE Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) plans to announce a new host for its 2026 event next month, saying it has "multiple proposals" to replace Australia's Victoria state.

The CGF on Monday said it was keeping the proposals confidential. Victoria state lawmakers last July withdrew from plans to host the 2026 Games in three regional hubs, citing escalating costs. "Significant progress has been made and we are excited by the early concepts, which aim to reset and reframe the Games," the CGF said in a statement following its April meeting. "We are working collaboratively with the relevant (members) to undertake further detailed assessments, and aim to announce the 2026 Commonwealth Games host in May."

Victoria state agreed to a

compensation package with the CGF, which will help offset costs for the next hosts. Australia's Gold Coast, which held the 2018 Commonwealth Games, was flagged as a potential host for 2026 but couldn't get state or federal funding.

The CGF said it was focusing on transforming the Games to reduce costs and make the events more sustainable. The Commonwealth Games, established in 1930 as the British Empire Games, are open to 74 nations and territories and have been staged in Australia, Canada, England, India, Jamaica, Malaysia, New Zealand, Scotland and Wales.

Last month, an Australian inquiry into the Victoria government's decision to cancel announced it cost the state A\$589 million and the price estimate that resulted in it being shelved was "overstated and not transparent."



Mumbai City's Lallianzuala Chhangte (R) vies for the ball on Monday | ISI





Asthma attacks actually damage the airways, new findings show, and preventing that damage could be the focus of new treatments, researchers say. Although primarily considered an inflammatory disease in which the immune system attacks the tissues, asthma is also known to involve bronchoconstriction – the tightening of the smooth muscle that surrounds the airway

SINDUJA JANE @Chennai

**A**S the burden of non-communicable diseases like cancer in India is increasing at an alarming pace, surpassing global rates, various researches are underway at the institutional and industrial levels across the country to improve treatment, survival rates and also make anticancer drugs affordable. The studies include immunotherapy, cellular medicine, targeted therapy focusing on genetic mutations in cancer cells and identifying and validating biomarkers. "For the first time in India, the Indian National Paediatric Oncology Group was formed this year. Its purpose is to improve the outcome of treatment in children with cancer. All units across India will perform collaborative research with the objective to promote regionally relevant paediatric cancer research, including multi-centre clinical trials so as to generate evidence in the local population and to improve outcomes. The group hopes to provide answers on how childhood cancer in India is different and how we can make things better," said Dr Revathi Raj, senior consultant, paediatric haematology and oncology, Apollo Cancer Centre.

"A registry is being created with all cancer diagnosed patients from Kashmir to Kanyakumari. The group has been formed to make uniform treatment available in all government and private hospitals. Every year, around 40,000 children are diagnosed with cancer. In high income countries, the cure rate for childhood cancer is around 80%. Sadly, in India, the current survival is only 40%. The collaborative group is planning to take the cure rate to 60% by 2030. This is a significant advancement for our children, as working together is the first step," added Dr Revathi Raj.

Recently, President Droupadi Murmu launched India's home-grown gene therapy (CAR-T cell therapy)

## RESEARCH AND OUTREACH TO IMPROVE CANCER CARE



which was developed by IIT Bombay and Tata Memorial Hospital, in association with industry partner ImmunoACT. CAR-T cell therapy, or chimeric antigen receptor-T cell therapy, a form of immunotherapy and gene therapy is a recent advancement in cancer treatment. CAR-T cells are made by collecting T cells from patients and reengineering them in the laboratory to produce proteins on their surface called CARs. The CARs recognise and bind to specific proteins or antigens on the surface of cancer cells. They identify the target cell and kill it. CAR-T cell therapy was first developed in western countries and approved by the US FDA.

Immunotherapy is mostly used in the treatment of blood

cancers, not solid cancer tumours. "Immune cells are removed from the body, genetically manipulated in a controlled setting and used for treatment because they can recognise and kill cancer cells. After mass production, the modified cells are pumped back into the patients, where they multiply and work," said Dr Preethika Ananda, assistant professor, Centre for Clinical Trials and Research, SRM Medical College Hospital and Research Centre, Kattankulathur. Fighting cancer cells using the patient's own immune system is unique and does not carry the short and long term side effects of chemotherapy, said Dr Revathi. CAR T-cells have been used in the cancer armamentarium in high income countries for the last 15 years.

Research over the last five years on CAR T-cell therapy has resulted in India's own indig-

enously developed CAR T-Cell therapy, which has higher potency and the cost is reduced by 50-70%. "Surgery, chemotherapy and radiation therapy were standard treatments for cancer. Immune checkpoint inhibitors and CAR-T cell therapy are now advanced treatment modalities in cancer care. CAR-T cell therapy is effective in patients treated with immunotherapy. Apollo is also planning to expand the treatment to its centres," said Dr Suvadip Chakrabarti, consultant in surgical oncology at Apollo Cancer Centre, Kolkata.

Dr Preethika Ananda said efforts are being made to develop targeted therapies tailored to specific genetic mutations found in certain cancers, such as breast and colorectal cancers. "Immunotherapy, especially immune checkpoint inhibitors (ICIs) for solid tumours, has become a popular oncologic treat-

## MILES TO GO

● The fourth edition of Apollo Hospitals' flagship Health of Nation Report on World Health Day highlighted the alarming rise in cancer cases in India compared to global numbers, making India the 'cancer capital of the world'

● The National Cancer Registry Programme Report 2020 released by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and National Centre for Disease Informatics and Research (NCIDIR), Bengaluru, had estimated that in 2020 cancer cases in the country will be at 13.9 lakh and may increase to 15.7 lakh by 2025 based on current trends

● According to Global Cancer Observatory (GLOBOCAN) estimates, there were 19.3 million cancer cases worldwide in 2020. India ranked third after China and the US

● GLOBOCAN predicted that cancer cases in India would increase to 2.08 million in 2040

ment. The ICIs can increase survival without interruption and produce long-term, durable remission in some tumours, such as non-small cell lung cancer. Even advanced tumour patients can benefit from immunotherapy."

Studies are also underway to identify and validate biomarkers that can aid in early detection, prognosis and treatment response prediction of various types of cancer, including ovarian and pancreatic cancers.

Dr Satyajit Mohapatra, director, Centre for Clinical Trials and Research, SRM Medical College Hospital and Research Centre, said the institute is conducting phase 3 clinical trial studies on subcutaneous injection of denosumab in patients with bone metastases (a cancer complication when cancer cells from the original tumour breaks and spreads to the bones) from solid tumours and also post-marketing surveillance study of trastuzumab in female patients with breast cancer. The institute had recently received approval from the ICMR to conduct phase 1 clinical trials.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients, Sri. Byanna and others has filed the petition for death certificate of deceased Late. Narasimha S/o Late. Narasappa expired on 06-08-1997 at Chandigarh Village Vijayapura Road Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. Many of the parties who have objections or claims may dispute regarding the same could and same any other interested persons appear before the 2nd Additional Civil Judge and J.M.F.C at Devanahalli on date of hearing on 23/04/24 at 11:45 AM in C.Ms.No. 119/2023.

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer Civil Judge & J.M.F.C. Court, Devanahalli Chiklegowda, N, Advocate

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Our client M/s. S.V. Developers ('Client') has entered into Joint Development Agreement in connection with the immovable properties morefully described in the 'Schedule' hereto and hereinafter collectively referred to as 'Schedule Properties' with Flora Silks Limited (earlier Flora Silks Private Limited) (present owner) and in furtherance to the same, we are carrying out an investigation into the title of the present owner over the Schedule Properties.

Notice is hereby given to the general public that any person/s other than the present owner, asserting any right, title, charge, lien, claim/s or any interest whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Properties are hereby called upon to submit to the undersigned, their claim/s, if any. The said claim/s or objections must be in writing, together with documentary proof of such claim/s or objections, so as to reach us at the address given below within a period of **15 (Fifteen) days** from the date of publication of this Notice.

**SCHEDULE**  
(Description of the Schedule Properties)

All that piece and parcel of immovable properties bearing Survey No. 345/1, measuring 03 Acres 16 Guntas and Survey No. 411, measuring 03 Acres, totally measuring 06 Acres 16 Guntas, both situated at Anekal Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District and bounded as follows: East by: Telugurahalli Road; West by: Road & property belonging to Mr. Byrappa; North by: Drain & Road; and South by: Private Property.

Sd/- Ms. Brijita Prakash, Partner DSK Legal, Prestige Loka, No. 201, 2nd Floor, No. 7/1 & 7/7, Brunton Road, Craig Park Layout, Bengaluru - 560025. Tel: 080-69548770. Date: 09-04-2024 Place: Bengaluru

**cmpdi** CENTRAL MINE PLANNING AND DESIGN INSTITUTE LIMITED (A Subsidiary of Coal India Limited) Gondwana Road, Kanke Road, Ranchi - 834031, Jharkhand, India

**NOTICE**

"All the tenders issued by CIL and its Subsidiaries for procurement of Goods, Works and Services are available on websites of Coal India Ltd. [www.coalindia.in/respective](http://www.coalindia.in/respective) Subsidiary Company (CMPDI, [www.cmpdi.co.in](http://www.cmpdi.co.in)), CIL e-procurement portal <https://coalindiattenders.nic.in> and Central Public Procurement Portal <https://eprocure.gov.in>. In addition, procurement is also done through GeM Portal <https://gem.gov.in/>"

**IN THE COURT OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1, B.S.N.L. BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAJHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU - 560 001**  
O.A.No.904/2022

**BETWEEN:**  
IDFC BANK LIMITED.,  
AND:  
DANYA APPAREL & OTHERS

**APPLICANT**  
**DEFENDANTS**

To,  
1. Danya Apparel,  
Represented By Its Proprietor Syed Mohiddin Riyaz, No.43, Eden Crest Apartments, Flat No.303, Viviani Road, Richards Park, Richards Town, Frazer Town, Bangalore-560 005, Mobile No-9845168449. E-mail-danyaapparel@gmail.com  
Also At  
Danya Apparel,  
Represented By Its Proprietor Syed Mohiddin Riyaz, No.11, Ward No.62, Opposite Sagar Automobiles, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560 029  
2. Riyaz Fathima,  
D/o Mr.Yahyakola, Aged About 52 Years, No.43, Eden Crest Apartments, Flat No.303, Viviani Road, Richards Park, Richards Town, Frazer Town, Bangalore-560 005  
3. Syed Mohiddin Riyaz,  
S/o Mr. Syed Abdul Rahman,  
Aged About 63 Years, No.43, Eden Crest Apartments, Flat No.303, Viviani Road, Richards Park, Richards Town, Frazer Town, Bangalore-560 005

**Summons Issued To Defendants Under 23(viii) of Debts Recovery Tribunal (procedure) Rules Of 1993 By Way Of Paper Publication**

Whereas: The Applicant Has Instituted An Application Under Section 19 Of Recovery Of Debts Due To Banks And Financial Institutions, Act, 1993, Against The Above Defendants For The Recovery Of Sum Of Rs.22,97,746/- (Rupees Twenty Two Lakhs Ninety Seven Thousand Seven Hundred And Forty Six Rupees Only) Amount Together With Current And Future Interest, Cost And Other Reliefs.

The Above Mentioned Defendants Are Required To Appear Therefore Hereby Directed To Appear Before The Tribunal In Person Or Through An Advocate Or Duly Instructed In Support Of Their Defence To Show Cause On 09/07/2024 At 10:30 A.M. As Why The Reliefs Prayed For Should Not Be Granted. Take Notice That In Case Default The Application Will Be Heard And Determined In Your Absence.

Given Under My Hand And Seal Of The Tribunal On This day 22/02/2024

BY THE ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL  
REGISTRAR-1  
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1  
BANGALORE

**STATE BANK OF INDIA**  
STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH (05173)  
# 11/90, 3rd Floor, Opp. Trustwell Hospital, J C Road, Bangalore-560002  
Ph : 080 2594 3678, 2594 3663,  
Email Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in

**POSSESSION NOTICE Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)**

Account No: HTL/INICIO/39168930742

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No. 3 of 2002) issued a Demand Notice dated 27.11.2023 calling upon the borrower: Mr. Sunil Kumar son of Mr. Jagdishwar Sah and Mrs. Rina Sunil Kumar W/o Mr. Sunil Kumar, residing at Flat No. 202, 2ND Floor, "SAI SUNNY HEIGHTS" Apartment, Kodigehalli village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, also at Flat No. 12, Shrishti Anmol Aptment, 2nd Cross, Siddalingeshwara Badavane, Thindlu, Bangalore North, Vidyanayapura Bangalore-560097, also at Genetix Biotech Asia Private Limited, 592, 2nd Stage, 3rd Main, A Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 99,45,574/- (Rupees Ninety four lakh sixty five thousand four hundred seventy six only) as on 26.11.2023 and interest & expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The loan outstanding as on 5.4.2024 stands at Rs. 99,14,574/- (Rupees ninety nine lakh fourteen thousand five hundred seventy four only) plus interest and other expenses.

The borrower has failed to repay the amount of Rs. 99,14,574/- (Rupees ninety nine lakh fourteen thousand five hundred seventy four only) as on 5.4.2024 plus interest and other expenses, notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 and 9 of the said rules on 06.04.2024.

The borrower/guarantor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an aggregate amount of Rs. 99,14,574/- (Rupees Ninety Nine Lakh Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Four only) as on 05.04.2024 + interest + expenses thereon.

The borrower's / mortgagor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY :** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing converted survey Nos 142 & 143, now assigned new portion of BBMP Katha No. 1618/142/143 ( conversion from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide conversion order No ALN(N.A.Y) S R 114/2007-08, dated 22.2.2013 , issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) situated at Kodigehalli village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, ( measuring 9.1/2 guntas in Survey No. 142 and measuring 19 guntas in Sy No. 143) totally measuring 28.1/2 guntas, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface, and bounded on the East by: Road and Land in Survey No. 140, West by: Remaining portion of same survey No. 142 measuring 9. 1/2 guntas agricultural land belonging to Vendors thereafter Railway track, North by: Remaining portion of same survey No. 142 & 143 measuring 0-38 guntas belonging to M. Ramakrishna, South by: Property bearing Sy No. 144 & 145

**SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY :** 547 sq ft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above.

**SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY :** Flat bearing No. 202, in the second floor, measuring about 1404 sq ft super built up area, containing Three Bed Rooms, along with one car parking space together with RCC roofing, vitrified flooring, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lift, lobbies, staircase etc., in the multi-storied residential building known as "Sai Sunny Heights" constructed over schedule "A" property.

Date : 06.04.2024  
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer and Chief Manager  
State Bank of India, SARB, Bangalore.

**केनरा बैंक** Canara Bank  
(A Government of India Undertaking)

**Ulsoor Branch**  
P.B. No. 883, 18/10, Cambridge Road, Ulsoor, Bangalore-560008.  
Mobile : 9496740940  
E-Mail: cb0791@canarabank.com

**(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties)**

**SALE NOTICE**

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable/ Movable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and/or Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Ulsoor Branch of Canara Bank, will be sold on the basis of "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on 30.04.2024, for recovery of below mentioned amount.

**1) Borrower/s : 1. Late Chaitanya Reddy S/o. Dr. S. Syamala Reddy And Guarantor(S) 1. Dr. S. Syamala Reddy.** For recovery of Rs. 1,20,23,311.48/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Lakhs Twenty Three thousand Three Hundred Eleven Rupees And Paise Forty Eight Only) as on 05.04.2024 with further interest and charges thereon due to Ulsoor (791) Branch of Canara Bank from The Reserve price, Earnest Money Deposits, Auction date, last date of submission of Bid details are as under. The intending bidders shall deposit Earnest Money deposit (EMD) by way of DD favouring Authorised Officer Canara Bank Ulsoor Branch, Bangalore or through online (RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer-IFSC Code CNRB0000791) to the credit of the account number 209272434, Canara Bank, Ulsoor Branch, on or before 29.04.2024 by 4.00 pm. Date & Time of the E-Auction 30.04.2024 from 10.30 A.M. to 11.30 A.M.

**E-Auction Date : 30.04.2024**

| Description of the immovable Asset                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Reserve Price     | EMD Amount      | Bid Incremental Value |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| All the piece and parcel of property standing in the name of Dr. S Syamala Reddy bearing site No. 17/4, old No. 17/4 & 17/15 (Upstairs of 17/4) in Premises No. 17 measuring East to West 63 feet and North to South 55 feet situated at Cambridge Road, ulsoor, Bangalore-560008. Bounded by : East by : Site No. 17/3, West : Cambridge Road Cross, North : Cambridge Road, South : Site No. 17/4A half portion. Title Holder : Late Chaitanya Reddy, S/o. Dr. S. Syamala Reddy. | Rs. 6,74,26,000/- | Rs. 67,42,600/- | Rs. 50,000/-          |

**2) Borrower/s : 1. Raviteja Peetha, Guarantor : 2. Peetha Ankamma.** For recovery of Rs. 1,53,15,722.67 (Rupees One Crore Fifty Three lakhs Fifteen Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Two Rupees and Sixty Seven Only) as on 05.04.2024 with further interest and charges thereon due to the ULSOOR Branch (0791) of Canara Bank from The Reserve price, Earnest Money Deposits, Auction date, last date of submission of Bid details are as under. The intending bidders shall deposit Earnest Money deposit (EMD) by way of DD favouring Authorised Officer Canara Bank Ulsoor Branch, Bangalore or through online (RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer-IFSC Code CNRB0000791) to the credit of the account number 209272434, Canara Bank, Ulsoor Branch, on or before 29.04.2024 by 4.00 pm. Date & Time of the E-Auction 30.04.2024 from 10.30 A.M. to 12.30 P.M.

| Description of the immovable Asset                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Reserve Price     | EMD Amount      | Bid Incremental Value |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| LENDEE SENTOSA APARTMENTS, FLAT NO-101,1ST floor,sy no-94/1B,BBMP Katha 637/94/1B,Doddakannahalli village,Varthur Hobli,Bengaluru. bounded by : East by : Property of shesha Reddy, West by : Property of Dorewamy Mudaliar, North by : Property of someswamy Mudaliar, South by : Road. Title Holder : RAVITEJA PEETHA | Rs. 1,35,26,000/- | Rs. 13,52,600/- | Rs. 50,000/-          |

**known encumbrances, if any:** Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed Terms and Conditions of the sale please contact Chief Manager, Ulsoor Branch, Canara Bank, Ph.No. 9496740940 e-mail: cb0791@canarabank.com or the service provider M/s. CANBANK COMPUTER SERVICES LTD. Mobile: 9832952602, E-mail id: ccslsleauktion@gmail.com, Support & Backup Office: Support Team, Contact No. Mobile: 9480691777, 6294220147, during office hours on any working day.

Date: 08.04.2024  
Place: Bangalore

Sd/-  
Authorised Officer

**HDFC BANK LIMITED**  
Regd Office: HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai - 400013  
Branch Office: HDFC Bank Ltd, HDFC House, No.51, Kasturba Road, Bengaluru-560 001  
Tel:-080-41183000, CIN L65920MH1994PLC080618 Website: [www.hdfcbank.com](http://www.hdfcbank.com)

**SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE**

Whereas The Authorised Officer of HDFC Bank Limited (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with HDFC Bank Limited by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) (HDFC), under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("said Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) to pay the amounts mentioned against their respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of the said Notice(s), incidental expenses, costs, charges etc till the date of payment and / or realization.

| Sr. No. | Name of Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) | Outstanding Dues                                                                                                                                                                              | Date of Demand Notice | Date of Possession | Description of The Property                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1       | Mr. Srikanth S (Borrower)                                        | Loan A/c No: (1) 613175221 Rs.34,28,081/- (2) 618672515 Rs. 2,41,164/- Total Amount Rs.36,69,245/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Forty Five Only) as on 30.11.2023 | 19.12.2023            | 08.04.2024         | All that piece and parcel of property bearing Two Bedroom Apartment No. 303, in the Third Floor, having 1115 sq.ft. super built up area with a 250 sq.ft. UDS (undivided share of right, share, title) in the building known as "VIKAYATH SPRING" with one car parking space situated at S No Site No C-70871, Old Kh No 94/46, BBMP Katha No 69-C-71/41, Alfa Garden Layout, Kodigehalli Village K R Puram, Bangalore. |

\*with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realization.

However, since the borrower/s mentioned hereinabove have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that the Authorised Officer/s of HDFC have taken symbolic possession of the immovable property (ies) / secured asset(s) described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/them under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned above.

The borrower(s) mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid Immovable Property(ies) / Secured Asset(s) and any dealings with the said Immovable Property (ies) / Secured Asset(s) will be subject to the mortgage of HDFC. Borrower(s) attention is/are invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset(s). Copies of the Panchnama drawn and Inventory made are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower requested to collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

Date : 09.04.2024  
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer  
HDFC Bank Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002

**Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd.**

Corporate Office : 802, Natraj By Rustomjee, Western Express Highway, Sir M.V. Road, Andheri East, Mumbai - 400069, Maharashtra.

Jayanagar (Old Branch Bommanahalli) : Office No. 180, Amrutha, 5Th Main, 4Th Block West, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011, (KA).

**APPENDIX IV POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property)**

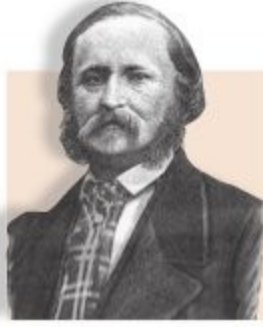
Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Aadhar Housing Finance Limited (AHFL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, Demand Notice(s) issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) mentioned herein below to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of the Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement rules, 2002. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of AHFL for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.

| Sl No. | Name of the Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower                                                                                                                                             | Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)                                                                                                                                                                     | Demand Notice Date and Amount                                                                        | Date of Possession |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1      | (COMBINE LOAN CODE NO. 21394001431 Jayanagar (Old Branch Bommanahalli) Late. Norwin Maharana Rego (Represented Through Legalheir) (Borrower) Renisha Gloria Cardoza (Co Borrower) | Site No 130 131 Hosapete Village Gateway Meadows Jangamkote Hobli Shiddaghatta Taluk, Bengaluru - 562101, KARNATAKA. Bounded on : East by : Road, West by: Plot No. 130, North by : Road and South by : Plot No. 132. | 10-12-2023<br>₹ 9,76,271.00<br>(Rupees Nine Lakhs Seventy Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventy One Only) | 04-04-2024         |

Place : Jayanagar  
Date : 09.04.2024

Authorised Officer  
Aadhar Housing Finance Limited





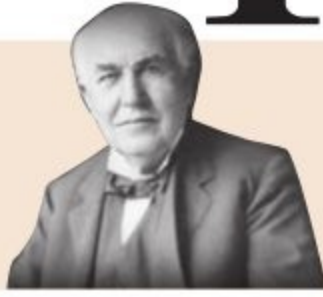
## DAY'S DIARY

### First recording

In 1860, Edouard-Léon Scott de Martinville made the first known recording of an audible human voice singing *Au Clair de la Lune*

## ADVANCED STEPS

Edouard-Léon Scott de Martinville invented sound recording 20 years before Thomas Edison invented the phonograph. It was a technological breakthrough, ahead of its time



## BOOK RELEASE

In a self-published memoir in 1878, he railed against Edison for 'appropriating' his methods and misconstruing the purpose of recording technology



## MORE AUDIOS

In 1860, Scott made a number of recordings using this arrangement. He sang songs, and recited excerpts of poetry and plays in several languages

A curated guide to happenings in the city

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## MEGHANA GAONKAR, ACTOR

I grew up in a boarding school so I used to miss a lot of festivals. Now, I get to celebrate it with family so my Ugadi is going to be simple but with festive food. The start of a new year is always special and brings new hope. There is this positivity that surrounds us and I try to make the best of it. My mother cooks a festive meal and since we are all foodies at home, that's the most special part of Ugadi. Holige with lots of ghee, is my absolute favourite. My mom makes it with the traditional tamarind and jaggery saaru.

As the vibrant festival of Ugadi unfolds, bringing with it a symphony of new beginnings, *CE* delves into the hearts and homes of celebs, who are embracing the festive spirit

# HOSA VARSHA, HOSA HARSHA!

## POOJA DAS

**U**GADI, the festival which infuses the air with a sense of renewal and optimism, is celebrated with much fervour across the city. From starting the day with a mixture of bevu-bella (neem-jaggery) – symbolic of one's acceptance of the bittersweet aspects of life in equal measure, spending quality time with family; looking forward to new beginnings; reminiscing childhood memories and savouring homemade delicacies, city-based celebs capture the essence of the festival.



## SHWETHA SRIVATSAV, ACTOR

I am very traditional and love to follow festival customs. For me, Ugadi starts with thorough cleaning and decorating the house along with my daughter. We put up toranas (door hangings) made from mango leaves and marigold flowers and enjoy doing rangolis. My daughter loves to deck up in the traditional langa-davani and adorn her hair with jasmine flowers. We love a sumptuous meal on a banana leaf and my favourite part, post-lunch, is watching black-and-white Kannada movies and reminiscing memories of my childhood.



## GIRIDHAR UDUPA, PERCUSSIONIST

It is a special Ugadi for me this year because we are celebrating 25 years of Layatharanga, our musical band. On a world tour, we are currently in the USA, performing in Boston. We will be going to a temple here to offer our prayers, grateful for the journey, and will celebrate Ugadi along with the band.



## KARTHIK MAHESH, ACTOR

I don't think it has ever been this hot during Ugadi but I am coming back from Mysuru to Bengaluru to celebrate with family. Every Ugadi, my mother makes some special dishes and I love the simple lemon rice that she makes on that day along with kootu. As a child, I used to visit my mother's hometown in Chamarajanagar and when it was time to eat bevu-bella, I would try to eat only the bits with jaggery. Now, I accept bevu and bella together equally just like we have to accept the good and not-so-good in life.

## CITY READ



## Savour a plant-based Ugadi meal today

Just by Nidhi Nahata, a whole food plant-based restaurant, is hosting Ugadi celebrations on April 9 between 1pm and 3pm. The event features a south Indian feast served on a banana leaf. The special menu comprises flavours from the regions of South India. For details, call 8884163061.



## Festive menu for Ugadi

On April 9, Dakshin at ITC Windsor, has put together a special menu, which includes classics like bevu-bella, bale hannu dosa, masale vade, and badane kai ka azhu goju, alongside obattu, sabaki payasa, and mossaranna. The lunch is between 12.30pm and 3pm and dinner from 7pm and 11.30pm, on April 9. The price is ₹3,500++

## XPRESS FOCUS

### C Krishniah Chetty Group of Jewellers

## Crafting Moments of Elegance

**W**ith their exclusive collection of gold jewellery and silverware for this Ugadi, C Krishniah Chetty Group of Jewellers has meticulously crafted

marvels to reflect the principles of balance and serenity. So, during this celebration, discover the essence of Ugadi through C Krishniah Chetty handcrafted jewellery and silver articles, each piece reflecting the vibrant spirit of the festivity, offering a blend of traditional craftsmanship and contemporary designs that resonate with the spirit of fresh beginnings.

### Festive Jewellery for the Soul

Their Ugadi collections feature an exquisite array of festive jewellery, crafted to adorn you with elegance and grace. From intricately designed gold necklaces and earrings to ornate bangles and rings, each piece in the collection is a testament to the rich cultural heritage of India and the timeless beauty of gold. Adorn yourself with the heritage jewellery and embrace the festive spirit of Ugadi with style and sophistication.

### Silverware for Puja Offerings

In addition to their stunning jewellery collections, C Krishniah Chetty also offer a range of



silver articles ideal for traditional Ugadi rituals and puja offerings. Their silverware collection includes intricately crafted kum-kum bowls, Kamakshi lamps, sprinklers and puja thalis, designed to add a touch of elegance and sanctity to your festive celebrations. Made from the finest quality silver, the articles are a symbol of purity and reverence, perfect for honouring the traditions and customs associated with Ugadi.

### Embracing Tradition

C Krishniah Chetty takes immense pride in the rich tradition of handcrafted jewellery, where every piece is a testament to the unparalleled artistry and skill of their craftsmen. Their dedicated team of artisans infuses each design with intricate details and exquisite craftsmanship, ensuring that every piece reflects the timeless beauty and cultural heritage of India.

With their handcrafted jewellery adorned with temple and Goddess Lakshmi motifs, you can celebrate Ugadi in a manner that honours the age-old customs and rituals passed down through generations.

**Where: C. Krishniah Chetty Group of Jewellers Showrooms and at [www.ckcjewellers.com](http://www.ckcjewellers.com)**



A 22kt yellow gold necklace, intricately designed with a harmonious blend of rubies, emeralds, and pearls



Encircling grace in 22kt yellow gold, this bangle is a homage to heritage, adorned with temple and elephant motifs



This 22kt yellow gold bangle bears the detailed carvings of temple motifs, including the revered form of Goddess Lakshmi

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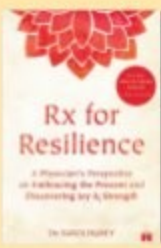
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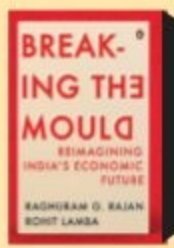
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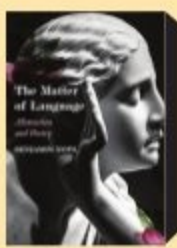
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**Rx For Resilience**  
By Dr Saroj Dubey  
This book is a physician's perspective on embracing the present and discovering joy and strength despite facing unexpected challenges or treading the corridors of high-pressure careers. A roadmap to joy, fortitude, self-discovery, and the gift of presence.



**Breaking the Mould**  
By Raghuram Rajan, Rohit Lamba  
Where is India headed? Is it going forward, or is it floundering, unable to provide jobs for the millions joining the labour force? What should it do to secure a better future? The book tackles these critical questions that revolve around India's growth and progress in the 21st century.



**The Matter of Language**  
By Benjamin Noys  
Working between theory and poetry, Noys reconceives notions of alienation and class struggle as essential modes of reading and analysis for our fractured present. Language, as a site of struggle, is intimately bound to the material but is also crucial in formulating and expressing the material and the abstractions that shape the matter.



**The Living Tradition**  
By KG Subramanyan  
This is an exploration of the distinctions between Indian and European traditions, the continuities in India's folk traditions, and the attempts of several thinkers and artists to identify an Indian artistic tradition or to strike an independent path for personal expression.



**HEART-FILLED MOMENTS**

Bollywood actor-philanthropist Sonu Sood speaks about women's empowerment at the grassroots level, during an event in the city | **ALLEN EGENUSE J**

**QUICKFIX**

**ROOH AFZA COOLER**

- INGREDIENTS**
- **Rooh Afza:** 2 tbsp
  - **Soda:** 1/2 glass
  - **Crushed ice:** As required
  - **Sprite:** 1/2 glass
  - **Lemon slices:** 2
  - **Mint leaves:** For garnish

- METHOD**
- In a glass pour Rooh Afza and add soda and mix it.
  - To it, add Sprite and crushed ice.
  - Mix the liquid well.
  - Add in lemon slices and garnish it with mint on top.
  - Your chilled Rooh Afza cooler is ready.



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**WHATWHENWHYWHERE**



**Ukulele Workshop**

The workshop Uke Tunes with Anijit, aims to bring the soulful melodies of Anijit Singh's iconic song Channa Meriya to the strings of your ukulele.

● **WHEN:** April 13, 12pm  
● **WHERE:** My School Of Rock, Aduangi  
● **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com



**Festive Food**

Enjoy a South Indian feast which pays homage to age-old traditions and regional delicacies. The special menu showcases the rich flavours of Ugadi cuisine, and is priced at ₹1,799++ ● **WHEN:** April 9, 1pm onwards ● **WHERE:** Nook, Aloft Bengaluru Outer Ring Road ● **CALL:** 080-4510 1010

**Ranji Triumph**

Join in the discussion on 50 Years of Karnataka's Maiden Ranji Title. The discussion will have Erapalli Prasanna, former cricket player, Sanjay Desai, former Karnataka batsman in conversation with cricket historian Ramachandra Guha.

● **WHEN:** April 9, 6.30pm  
● **WHERE:** Bangalore International Centre, Domlur ● **DETAILS:** bangaloreinternationalcentre.org



**Laughter Fest**

Add some humour to your weekday by experiencing a comedy evening by some comics in town.

● **WHEN:** April 9, 8.15pm  
● **WHERE:** Ministry of Comedy, Koramangala  
● **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com



**Comic Play**

The play Chhapa Ke Deewaney is set in Chhapa district in Bihar, in which the groom from different places come to present their proposals for the girl's wedding and it's a game of who will win.

● **WHEN:** April 10, 7.30pm  
● **WHERE:** Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar  
● **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com



**Dance Drama**

Colours of Krishna by Odissi dancer, Madhulita Mohapatra, is a kaleidoscope of hues & emotions, meticulously woven through the realms of mythology & human experience.

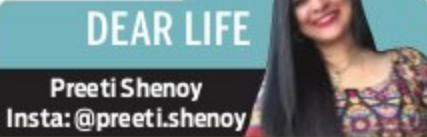
● **WHEN:** April 13, 7.30pm  
● **WHERE:** Jagriti theatre, Whitefield  
● **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com



**LEGO Challenge**

Bring along your friends and build something fun with them using our huge LEGO collection consisting of over 1 million pieces.

● **WHEN:** April 9, 5pm  
● **WHERE:** AZPIRE in Mind Gym With Toys, CV Raman Nagar  
● **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com



**DEAR LIFE**

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**My partner of four years broke up saying marriage is not his priority and he has stuff to sort out. How do I move on?**

Life is a long journey, and we're all passengers on a train. We meet people and form deep connections. We presume we've met our soulmate, and the disappointment when they get off at an unexpected station, hits us hard. Four years is a long time, and I'm sure what you had was wonderful. There are several reasons why you might be finding it hard to move on. Maybe you've lost sight of your individuality and strength, as you'd become used to doing everything with him, or have not properly grieved or accepted the end of the relationship and deep down you're hoping for conciliation. Take a day off and write down everything you feel. Set draconian boundaries where you cut off from him on social media and everywhere else, so there are no reminders of him. Start a strict routine for yourself, where you take up a hobby that gives joy, but you had no time for. Work on yourself. Eventually you will heal.

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**EKA PADA UTTANA PADASANA**  
(ONE RAISED LEG POSE)

It is a beginner-level supine practice. The practitioner lies on the back in this pose, with arms close to the body, keeping one leg straight and lifting the other. This is an excellent exercise to strengthen the abdominal muscles and the lower back. It is relatively easy to practise. It is a preparatory pose to Uttana Padasana Variation Hands-On Floor or Ardha Halasana. It helps in aligning a displaced Manipura (Nabhi) Chakra and stimulates the Swadhisthana (Sacral) Chakra.

**STEPS**

- Lie on your back in Supta Tadasana (Reclined Mountain Pose). Relax the whole body and breathe normally.
- Turn your palms downwards on the floor and place them closer to the body.
- Here, breathe in slowly and raise your left leg while the right leg rests straight on the floor.
- Raise your left leg to an angle of about 90 degrees from the floor. Do this gently without jerking bending the knees while practicing. Exhale.
- Hold your leg in this position for 2-3 breaths. During the initial stages, one may not hold it beyond a few seconds.
- You will feel a lot of pressure on the abdominal muscles, which may not be strong enough to hold your leg straight for long. Gradually, increase the duration of keeping your leg straight, raised above.
- Try for your leg to be in the raised position for even a minute with constant practise.
- Exhale and gently bring the left leg down. Realign to Supta Tadasana.
- While practising on the other side, raise the right leg, resting the left leg on the mat following the same procedure. Be aware of your breath.
- Release, align to Supta Tadasana and finally relax in Savasana (Corpse Pose).

**BENEFITS**

- Strengthens the abdominal, core, lower back and hamstring muscles.
- Helps reduce weight around the abdomen.
- Improves the strength and elasticity of the hamstrings, calves, plantaris muscle (behind the knee), and the tendons attached to the ankles.
- Increases leg mobility and muscle power.
- Ensures the breathing is deep.
- Helps in awareness and focus (concentration).
- Improves the alignment of the hips, pelvis and shoulders.
- Helps individuals to be emotionally strong.
- Stimulates and improves the function of reproductive organs in the process.
- Leg alignment helps to relieve perennial lower back pain.
- Strengthens the walls of the uterus, which helps women during menstruation and fertility. But, women should avoid this pose during menstruation.
- The anti-gravity effect treats varicose veins.
- Helps to treat sciatica and piriformis syndrome.
- Increases the effective supply of venous blood, keeping the overall sync between the body-mind.
- Helps runners, athletes, teens and sportspersons to avoid shocks and sprains of the hamstrings and ankles.

**LIMITATIONS**

- People with hamstring and lower back injuries, weak ankles, knees, and wrists, musculoskeletal frames, dislocation of joints, herniated disc, spinal ailments, uterus tumours, avoid this.



By **N Elumalai**, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

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**SYNTHETIC LIFE**

A vibrant artwork by Hyderabad-based artist Gangadhar M, represented by Srishti Art Gallery





## THE MELANCHOLY OF BLUE

BLUE, unlike earthy colours, did not come in plenty from the soil. Early artists could not access this initially elusive colour until humans learnt how to mine stones from the depths below. When Lapis Lazuli was extracted in Afghanistan 6,000 years ago, blue finally made its debut appearance in art. Given its rare nature, it soon came to be associated with wealth, power, and divinity. Artists reserved the colour for the most significant subject of the time – religion. It was only when scientists invented an identical synthetic pigment that blue became affordable. Gradually, blue was liberated from its divine associations and started thriving in domestic settings, thanks to artists like Vermeer. When a French chemist discovered the ultramarine pigment in 1814, the colour became so popular that the nation bestowed the name ‘French Ultramarine’, to proclaim it as a national treasure. What better honour could a hue ever aspire for?

And here’s news for all those who believe that masculinity reeks of blue – it was regarded a feminine colour, considered dainty and assigned to girls while boys were dressed in pink until 1823!

## COLOUR CODED

### THE PASSION OF RED

RED, the colour of danger, passion, anger, and all extremes of human experiences, was one of the oldest pigments used in art. The cave of Altamira in Spain, renowned for its cave art, has a painting of a bison coloured in red ochre dating back to between 15,000 and 16,500 BC. Ancient Egyptian women used red, to add a dash of colour to their lips and cheeks while Ancient Romans decorated their villas with red frescoes. Yet, acquiring the shade was incredibly dangerous for those who mined it as it was highly



toxic, which obviously made it very expensive. Strangely, its usage was not limited to portraying only royalty or religious rituals despite its cost.

The colour showed no class difference and was used on any subject, as seen in the painting ‘The Wedding Dance’ from 1566.

With revolutions overthrowing monarchy, red started becoming the colour of resistance and is today politically connected with communism.

Artworks in red fetch the highest price at auctions today perhaps because the hue evokes the strongest of our emotions. As artist Anish Kapoor stated, “It’s the colour of the interior of our bodies. Red is the centre.”

Recently, the country witnessed a debate on specifically coloured uniforms for food delivery partners. Though the discussion has ended, there is no denying that colours have been used to denote human lives and emotions. CE takes a look at the four major colours and their myriad associations from artists’ perspectives

JITHA KARTHIKEYAN

WE live in a colourful nation. Everything about our existence is brightly hued – from our weather and fashion to our music and festivals. And the grandest one of them all – Holi, is a spectacular riot of colours indeed.

Colours have their own significance and are deeply connected to our varied emotions. Ever since prehistoric humans combined burnt charcoal, animal fat and soil to make pigments, thus creating the earliest palette of basic colours, art has used them to not just tell stories or decorate but to evoke our senses. Here’s a look at the fascinating world of shades.



### THE JOURNEY OF GREEN

GREEN, the symbol of rebirth and life was used by ancient Egyptians on the walls of their tombs by finely grinding malachite. A paintbox with this pigment was found inside the tomb of King Tutankhamun. It was however in 1775, that a Swedish chemist introduced the colour Scheele’s Green to the artworld. Most artists used the tint to colour their beautiful landscapes with lush greenery. But behind the guise of placidity, history tells fatal facts. Made by mixing copper and oxygen with arsenic, the pigment was considered more poisonous than any other. Unaware of these truths, artists widely used them in their paintings and to decorate walls. Many historians even believe that it was the use of this colour on the bedroom walls of Napoleon Bonaparte that caused his death in 1821. An alternative to this shade was also toxic and is thought of as being responsible for the blindness and diabetes of many Impressionist artists. Thankfully, it was banned in the 1960’s and green has truly found its peace in today’s world!

Colours can speak to the soul in a million ways. Let us open our eyes to its beauty and meaning and allow ourselves to feel the emotions it gifts us so generously!



### MELLOW YELLOW

THE jaundiced yellow has always been primarily ill. None of red’s passion or the serenity of blue for this colour, which artists have used predominantly to denote maladies. The most absurd fact is that the painters who used it back in the day, ultimately endangered their own lives as the pigment was obtained from arsenic, a toxic element. The paint eventually was ingested when the artists touched their brushes with their tongue while painting finer details, thus poisoning themselves over time. When arsenic was replaced with Uranium Yellow, it still remained deadly as the

latter was made from uranium dioxide, which was radioactive. A watercolour named Indian Yellow, even derived its paint from the urine of mango-fed cows, a practice banned now. Organic dye-based paints have been introduced hence. It wasn’t always disease and death that lent its meaning to yellow. The colour has represented nature in all its vibrancy, in the hands of artists like Van Gogh, for whom yellow was the field to be harvested, the house, the sunflowers, and the stars! Sadly, it was his favourite hue that also fed his vulnerability; the artist who often suffered severe mental disturbances, once

admitted to his brother that he tried to end his life by eating the same preferred paint.

Contemporary artists have breathed new vigour into yellow by using it as a metaphor for a life force. Icelandic-Danish artist Olafur Eliasson’s installation titled ‘The Weather Project’, attempted to give the audience an illusion of being under the sun, by recreating the sun using a massive semi-circular screen in a hall, lit by 200 lights. The visitors looked up to a ceiling that reflected the space below, while being bathed in the warm yellow glow of the artificially created sun.

## THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS CLASSIFIEDS

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#### CHANGE OF NAME

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **PADMINI PADMANABHAN**, W/o Padmanabhan, age 47 years, R/at No. 201, JPC Prism Apartment, 7th Main, Vijaya Bank Road, Poorna Pragna Layout, Uttarahalli, Kengeri Main Road, Subramanyapura, Bengaluru-560 061 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **T.M. PADMINI** to **PADMINI PADMANABHAN**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **PADMINI PADMANABHAN** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 03/04/2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary G. DAYANANDA at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **RAY NIEL DICKSON**, aged 40 years, S/o Lester Roger Dickson, R/at No. 1526/D, 9th Cross, Ramaiah Layout, K K Halli, Bengaluru North, St. Thomas Town, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560084, have changed my name to **RAY NEIL NICHOLAS**, vide affidavit dated 08/04/2024 before Notary L. GOPALAKRISHNA, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) NATARAJU**, Residing at No. 40, Chokkanahalli, Jakkur post, Yelahanka, Bangalore -560064, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) NATARAJU** to **(NEW NAME) R.NATARAJ** vide affidavit dated 08.04.2024 sworn before Notary C.Santhosh Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) K NAGAVENI**, Spouse of NO. 16117956K HAV KALLURU RAMAKRISHNA, Residing at Palyam (Vill & Post), Pamidi (MD & Tehsil), Anantapur (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 515775, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) KALLURU NAGAVENI**, Vide Affidavit Dated 03.04.2024 Sworn before Notary GANGARAJU B.N, BANGALORE.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) VENKATESWARA RAO**, Father of NO. 15333648F HAV VAKA SIVA SUBRAHMANYAM, Residing at House NO. 3-3, Peddavaram (Vill & Post), Repalle (TK), Guntur (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 522259, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) VAKA VENKATESWARLU**, And DOB from 01.07.1955 to 26.12.1958 Vide Affidavit Dated 01.04.2024 Sworn before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) SANDHIYA TAMILSELVAN** Spouse of NO. 1612234P HAV TAMILSELVAN.S. Residing at Naikanoor (Vill & Post), Vaniyambadi Tirupathur (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 635701, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SANDHIYA**, Vide Affidavit Dated 02.04.2024 Sworn before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
We, the father (Ishwar Sundara raman, aged 43 years) and mother (Aishwarya Kalakata, aged 41 years) R/at E2 Block 1, Samhita Castle, Nagavaraipalya, C. V. Raman Nagar Post, Bengaluru - 560 093 would like to announce that we are changing the name of our son, **Daksh Sundararaman** to **DAKSH REDDY SUNDARARAMAN** vide affidavit dated 08.04.2024 sworn before Advocate & Notary L. Gopalakrishna, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **ABDUL REHMAN. A. S/o. Abdul Wajid**, R/a #29, 5th Floor, 4th Main Road, Opposite Maruthi Layout, BTM 1st Stage, Bangalore South, Dharmaram College, Bengaluru-560029 have changed my Name From **ABDUL REHAMAN** to **ABDUL REHMAN.A** Vide affidavit dated: 6.4.2024 sworn before Notary Mohammed Hussain, K. Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
We, **SYEDA LUTHFUNNISA JABEEN**, W/o Mr. Zul Kafeel, aged about 35 years and **ZUL KAFEEL**, S/O Sri. Mohammed Mustafa Kamal, aged about 47 years, residing at 324/16, Durvaish Manzil Queens Road Cross, Thimmaiah Road Extension, Bangalore -560 001, do hereby declare that our names have been rectified from **S. L. JABEEN** and **JABEEN. S. L.** to **SYEDA LUTHFUNNISA JABEEN** and **ZUL KAFEEL** respectively vide Affidavit dt: 02/04/2024 Sworn before Smt. S. VIJAYALAKSHMI, Advocate and Notary Public at Bangalore. And hence we shall be known and called as **SYEDA LUTHFUNNISA JABEEN** and **ZUL KAFEEL** respectively for all of our official purposes.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **AMREEN MOHAMMED RAFIQ**, aged 34 years, W/o Syed Nawaz, R/at No. 65, Coffee Board Colony, 2nd Cross, Near Loretta School, Shampura Main Road, Arabic College, Bengaluru-560 045 have changed my name to **AMREEN**, vide affidavit dated 05/04/2024 before Notary MEER HASSAN, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) GUNASUNDARI M**, Spouse of NO.JC- 312671P SUB MOHAN.M, Residing at House NO.2, Prabu Street, Kumaran Nagar, Manavala Nagar (Post), Thiruvalur (TK&Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 602002, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) GUNASUNDARI S**, Vide Affidavit Dated 05.04.2024 Sworn before Notary GANGARAJU B.N, BANGALORE.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) PONNAYYA PILLAI**, Father of NO.16123543W NK HARIKRISHNAN P, Residing at Hariha Bhavan, Karavoor (Post), Piravanthoor (Vill), Pathanapuram (Taluk), Kollam (Dist), KERALA (State), PIN: 686966, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) K PONNAYAH PILLAI**, Vide Affidavit Dated 06.04.2024 Sworn before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
We, **KAMALESHWARAN S**, aged 45 years, S/o. Mr. J. Sundaramurthy and **VIBHA B** aged around 41 years, W/o. Kamaleshwaran, current resident of No. 62, 5th Main, 3rd Cross, KEB Layout, Sanjaynagar, Bengaluru - 560 094, do hereby declare that we have changed minor son's name from **RISHAN** to **RISHI K** vide affidavit dated 28.03.2024 sworn to before R. Basavaraja, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **VIMALA SAJJAN BARLOTA**, S/o. Sajjan, Aged about 56 years, Residing at No. J-7, 3rd Cross, Lakshmi Nagaraya Pura, Sirampuram, Bangalore - 560 021, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VIMALA** to **VIMALA SAJJAN BARLOTA**, I further declare that **VIMALA SAJJAN BARLOTA** & **VIMALA** both names pertains to me only and one and the same person. Vide affidavit 08.04.2024 sworn to before Anitha Bai, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **NAGARAJU S/o GANGAPPA** That I undersigned my son name JEEVAN N resident at No. 434,1ST MAIN ROAD, NEAR GOVT HOSPITAL KAREKALLU, BETTAHALASUR, BANGALORE NORTH KARNATAKA 562157, have changed my son's name from **BRIJESH N** to **JEEVAN N**, vide affidavit dated 8/4/2024 sworn to before G.R.Ravichandra Reddy advocate and notary Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **ANUPAMA D/o. Charles Basappa**, aged about 45 years, R/at Flat No. 106, Satvi Clarinet Apartments, Kalkere Main Road, VTC: Horamavu PO: Horamavu, Bengaluru-560043. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from 'ANUPAMA ROHIT' to "ANUPAMA", vide Affidavit dated 06.04.2024 Sworn before Advocate and Notary Harisha. G, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **SVSL TULASI**, (existing Name of spouse as per Not W/o is legally wedded spouse of No.14674652F Rank: Hav Name: **UTUKURI KISHORE** presently working in 515 Army base Workshop, Halasuru, Bangalore 560008 permanent resident of No.4-87-17, Sri Pavani Estate, B.V.C. College Road, Battipoleem, Indupalle, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh - 533221 have changed name from **SVSL TULASI** to **UTUKURI SURYA VENKATA SATYA LAKSHMI TULASI** before Notary Public A.R.Muneer Ahmed. Bangalore dated 06.04.2024.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **SUPRITHA GOWDA**, D/o Mr. Suresh M.P., aged about 27 years, and previously called as Supritha M.S., Permanent Residing address: D/o Suresh, Somavarapet Taluk, Manajur, Kodagu, Karnataka-571232. I have changed my name from "SUPRITHA M.S." to "SUPRITHA GOWDA" vide Sworn Affidavit dated 05.04.2024 before B.Chitra Advocate and Notary Public Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, SERVICE NO. 15327344N HAV VENKATA SWAMY DERANGULA, Residing at Venkatapuram (Vill), Giddalur (TK & MD), K.S. Pally (Post), Prakasam (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 523357, Have Changed My Self Name **(OLD NAME) VENKATA SWAMY DERANGULA** to **(NEW NAME) DERANGULA VENKATA SWAMY**, Vide Affidavit Dated 05.04.2024 Sworn before Notary GANGARAJU B.N, BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **D.S. AMBIKA**, W/o. Omkarmurthy, Aged about 55 years, (Date of Birth 10.05.1968) Residing at No. 1146, 13th Main, Nagapura Ward, II Stage, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru - 560 086, Karnataka, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **AMBIKA OMKARMURTHY** to **D.S. AMBIKA** vide affidavit dated 27.03.2024 sworn to before Kaveri .B. Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) MAHA LAKSHMI**, Mother of NO.15333648F HAV VAKA SIVA SUBRAHMANYAM, Residing at House NO. 3-3, Peddavaram (Vill & Post), Repalle (TK), Guntur (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 522259, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) VAKA SITAMAHALAKSHMI**, And DOB from 01.07.1959 to 01.07.1971, Vide Affidavit Dated 01.04.2024 Sworn before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **H. NIJALINGAPPA**, S/o. Honnurappa, residing at No. 93, 5th Cross, Vijayalakshmi Layout, Bagalunte, Near Hallimara, Nagasandra Post, Bengaluru-560073, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VIJAYANNA** to **H. NIJALINGAPPA**, vide affidavit dated 08.04.2024, sworn to before Sumithra .N, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **NAGARAJU S/o GANGAPPA** That I undersigned my Daughter name HITAISHI.N resident at No. 434,1ST MAIN ROAD, NEAR GOVT HOSPITAL KAREKALLU, BETTAHALASUR, BANGALORE NORTH, KARNATAKA- 562157. have changed my daughter's name from **DRUTHI.N** to **HITAISHI.N**, vide affidavit dated 8/4/2024 sworn to before G.R.Ravichandra Reddy advocate and notary Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **AVINASH SAHOO S/O MRUTYUNJAY SAHOO**, Resident At: ARUN PATIOS No.# No-8313, ISHWARA TEMPLE ROAD, KENCHENAHALLI, YELAHANKA, BANGALORE NORTH, KARNATAKA- 560064, I declare that by mistake my name mentioned as **ABHINASH SAHOO** and My Father Name **MRUTYUNJAY SAHOO** in my **PASSPORT**, I declare that my correct name is **AVINASH SAHOO** and My Father Name is **MRUTYUNJAY SAHOO**, Affidavit certificate No.IN-KA78980836299922W, vide affidavit dated 8/4/2024 sworn to before G.R.Ravichandra Reddy advocate for notary Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **RAJMONI DEVI** mother of Vijay Basfore residing in Quartes No.181/2, Command Hospital Air Force, Agram Post, Bangalore 560007 have changed my name from **RAJMONI** to **RAJMONI BASFORE** before Notary Public A. R. Muneer Ahmed. Bangalore dated 06.04.2024

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) ROOPAN**, Residing at No.01, S.V Engineer College Road, Chikkajala, Bangalore-562157, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) ROOPAN** to **(NEW NAME) ROOPA.M.K**, vide affidavit dated 08.04.2024 sworn before Notary C.Santhosh Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) RUPINA**, Spouse of Late NO. JC- 305482H EX NB/SUB S. FRANCIS, Residing at RC Street, Arcadu (Vill & Post), Villupuram (TK & Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 605755, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) RUBINA**, Vide Affidavit Dated 05.04.2024 Sworn before Notary GANGARAJU B.N, BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **(OLD NAME) REKHA**, Spouse of NO. 16113248A L/NK RAJU KOCHERI, Residing at At/Post: Itagi, TK: Khanapure, Dist: Belagavi, State: KARNATAKA, PIN: 591112, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) REKHA KOCHERI**, Vide Affidavit Dated 06.04.2024 Sworn before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **NEERAJ TEWARI**, resident of Site No. 48, Polineer Lifestyle, Gattahalli Village, Anekal Taluk, Sarjapura Hobli, Bengaluru-560099, Karnataka, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my minor son's name from **AARADHYA TEWARI** to **AARADHY TEWARI**, vide affidavit dated 06.04.2024, sworn to before Vyshali .K, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**  
I, **SHILPI GUPTA** (New Name), W/o. Saiji Kumar Gupta, residing at No. 41/28, 9th Cross, 5th Block, BSK 3rd Stage, Banashankari III Stage, Bangalore-560085, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from **UMA KUMARI** (Old Name) to **SHILPI GUPTA** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called **SHILPI GUPTA** (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 08/04/2024, before Notary H.S.DHARMA PRASAD, Bangalore.

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# MAHESH MANJREKAR JOINS THE CAST OF DARSHAN'S DEVIL

The commercial entertainer, directed by Prakash Veer, will feature the actor as part of the lead cast, forming a new collaboration with the Challenging Star

A SHARADHAA

**D**arshan's latest venture, *Devil - The Hero*, written and directed by Prakash Veer, kicked off its filming on March 22nd with a few action-packed sequences. The team, which has successfully wrapped up their first schedule, is gearing up for the next phase of shooting. They are scheduled to resume once Darshan recovers from his hand injury, for which he underwent an operation recently.

Meanwhile, excitement brews as the cast is getting finalised, and according to our reliable source, the team of *Devil* has brought on board acclaimed multilingual actor Mahesh Manjrekar. The artist, popular in Hindi and known for his versatile performances across various platforms including reality shows and web series, boasts a filmography in various Indian languages including Marathi, Telugu, Tamil, Bengali, and Bhojpuri, as well as in International cinema. Mahesh made a brief appearance in a Kannada film, *Encounter Dayanayak* in 2005. Now, after two decades he is all set to make a comeback in Kannada cinema with *Devil*.

Director Prakash Veer is known for his meticulous approach to casting and the makers believe that the pairing of Darshan and Mahesh Manjrekar would be fresh and bring a new dimension to the commercial entertainer. However, details about Mahesh's character remain under wraps. The source adds that the makers are also in the process of zeroing in on the female and supporting cast.

The first look teaser of *Devil*, revealed early this year, has already generated considerable buzz among fans who are looking forward to watching it on the big screen when it releases this year. The film is presented by Jai Matha Combines and produced by J Jayanna and Prakash Veer under Vaishno Studios banner. Music composer Ajaneesh Lokanath marks his first collaboration with Darshan, while DOP Sudhakar S Raj will handle the cinematography for *Devil*.



Mahesh Manjrekar

# Rachita Ram is in talks for Jadeshaa K Hampi's VK-29

A SHARADHAA

Jadeshaa K Hampi, the director of *Gentleman* and *Guru Shishyaru* and as the writer of Darshan's recent blockbuster *Kaatera*, is now preparing for his next project with *Bheema* actor, Vijay Kumar. The action-packed period drama, which is also said to be a family entertainer, is rumoured to feature Rachita Ram as the female lead, opposite Vijay Kumar. Discussions have been underway with the *Kranti* actor, who is presently filming *Sanju Weds Geetha 2*, and this could become the next venture for the Dimple Queen. Rachita Ram has previously shared the screen with Vijay in Preetham Gubbi's *Johnny Yes Papa* (2018), and if everything falls into place, this film will be their second collaboration.

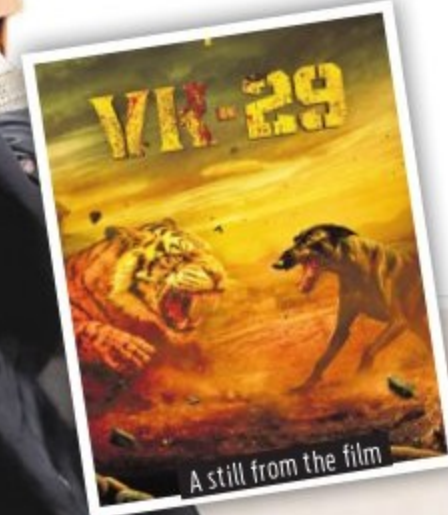


Rachita Ram

The film, produced by Sathya Prakash and Suraj, will likely see the Dimple Queen teaming up with Vijay Kumar once again after *Johnny Yes Papa*

The film, tentatively titled *VK-29*, was officially announced in January with an intriguing poster. It will see the return of *Saathathi* producer KV Satya Prakash, who is bankrolling the project along with his son, Suraj. The team is currently gearing up for the film's muhurat, which is expected to take place soon.

An official announcement is anticipated after the film's launch or once Rachita Ram finalises on the agreement and join the sets. Interestingly, *VK-29* will also introduce Vijay Kumar's daughter, Monica, in a significant role, marking her debut. Further details regarding the film's cast and crew will be disclosed soon.



A still from the film

# MALASHREE'S NIGHT CURFEW TO HIT THEATRES THIS WEEK

The film, helmed by Ravindra Venshi and produced by BS Chandrashekar, is a Kannada-Telugu bilingual also starring Ranjani Raghavan in a key role



A still from the film

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**M**alashree, popularly known as the 'Lady Superstar of Kannada Cinema' is all set to make a comeback to the silver screen with *Night Curfew*, which is slated to release on April 12. An action-packed thriller, the film is a Kannada-Telugu bilingual with Malashree playing the role of a doctor who served in the army. *Night Curfew* marks the fourth directorial of Ravindra Venshi who has previously helmed films like *Puttani Safari*, *Matra*, and *Vasanthi Naidaga*. The filmmaker has also penned the screenplay and dialogues for the upcoming film. Inspired by true events, *Night Curfew* aims to explore the occurrences during the COVID-19 pandemic in a cinematic style infused with commercial appeal.

Produced by BS Chandrashekar under the Swarnaganga Films banner, the film will also star Ranjani Raghavan. Known for her stint in television, Ranjani is now all set to focus on the big screen. Besides Malashree and Ranjani, the ensemble cast also includes Pramod Shetty, Rangayana Raghunath, Sadhu Kokila, Manju Pavagada, Sahana Sri, Ashwin Ramesh, Vardhan Teerthahalli, Mandya Siddhu, Sadanand, Gangaraju, Nitin, Vasant Kumar, S. Baby Maulyamanjunath, Jyothi, Rajani, Shivaraj Shetty, Mahesh M, and Alsouru Rajkumar.

*Night Curfew* is devoid of songs and features only background music by MS Maruthi. With cinematography by Pramod Bharatiya, the film will feature action choreography by Jagvar Sannappa, and editing by C Ravichandra.

# Prajwal Devaraj to play a Yakshagana performer in Karavalli

The actor, who will portray various shades of the character, says that this traditional look will be one of the highlights of the film

CE FEATURES

**G**urudatha Ganiga's sophomore project *Karavalli*, which is currently in production, is one of the most anticipated films of actor Prajwal Devaraj. The film has garnered attention for its first-look poster and content, and the makers have revealed a new avatar on the festive occasion of Ugadi. In the new look, the actor has donned the role of a Yakshagana performer which has further added to the excitement surrounding the film. Prajwal will portray various shades in *Karavalli*, and this Yakshagana role of his character is expected to be one of the highlights of the film.

Pallava Ganiga, who is an expert in creating the Yakshagana attire, has put together the costume and makeup for Prajwal which reportedly took half a day.

Apart from directing, Gurudatha Ganiga will also produce the project alongside VK Films. The film, set against a rural backdrop, narrates the story of the conflict between humans and animals. While Sampada plays the female lead, the film also stars notable actors including Mitra, Sreedhar, and Niranjana. The music for *Karavalli* will be composed by Sachin Basrur, while Abhimanyu Sadanandan cranks the camera.

With nearly 40 per cent of the film completed, the makers are planning to resume the next schedule of shooting which will take place in and around Mangaluru after Ugadi.



Prajwal Devaraj in a still from Karavalli

# Ayelet Zurer joins Daredevil: Born Again

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**A**YELET Zurer is all set to reprise her role as Vanessa Fisk in the Disney+ Hotstar series *Daredevil: Born Again*. She earlier played the role in Netflix's *Daredevil*. It was also earlier confirmed that Vincent

D'Onofrio will return as Wilson Fisk AKA Kingpin.

Charlie Cox plays Matt Murdock/Daredevil in the show while Jon Bernthal plays Frank Castle/Punisher. Meanwhile, Elden Henson and Deborah Ann Woll will also be reprising their roles as Foggy Nelson and Karen Page, respectively.

Other cast members include Margarita Levieva, Michael Gandolfini, Genneya Walton, Nikki M James, and Clark Johnson. Dario Scardapane serves as showrunner, with Justin Benson and Aaron Moorhead as lead directors. While a release date has not been confirmed yet, *Daredevil*

